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PENNED ON ROOF AND UPPER FLOORS.

New York Fire Replete with Sensational Rescues.

One Dead; Several Badly Burned; 20 Families Homeless.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Another of New York's typical house fires, replete with sensational rescues, panic-stricken women and children and terrified men, occurred in Harlem early today. Shortly before 3 o'clock flames burst from the upper floors of the [illegible] tenement house at No. 122 West One Hundred and Twenty-seventh Street, quickly gutting the structure. Three alarms were turned in before the flames were under control, and when the firemen first arrived on the scene it looked as if there would be serious loss of life. Many men, women and children were penned on the roof and upper floors, while others climbed frantically down the fire escapes. Several were on the point of jumping, but were warned to wait for the firemen and their ladders. Cool heads in this way averted what appeared to be certain death for the hysterical ones.

Only one man was killed, but three other men and a woman were seriously burned, and the lives of many others were saved only by prompt and heroic work by firemen and the tenants themselves. The man who lost his life was Daniel Frizzell, 18 years of age, an

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LATEST NAVAL NEWS.

Orders to Officers and Movements of Vessels Reported.

[Special despatch to the News.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The following orders to officers were announced by the Navy Department today:

Engineer-in-Chief J. K. Barton, transferred to the retired list of the navy from December 22, detached from duty as chief of the bureau of steam engineering and ordered home.

Chief Carpenter J. P. Cole, transferred to the retired list from December 12.

The following movements of vessels were reported today to the Navy Department:

Arrived—Tacoma and Nero at Guantanamo, Buffalo at Bremerton.

Sailed—Hist from Charleston for Key West; Rainbow, from Manila for Zamboanga, Dubuque, from Key West for Havana.

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STEAMERS REPORTED.

SIASCONSET, Mass., Dec. 24.—Steamer Alice, Trieste for New York, was 253 miles east of Sandy Hook at 8 a. m.; will dock tonight or 9 a. m. Friday.

SIASCONSET, Mass., Dec. 24.—Steamer Adriatic, Southampton for New York, was 213 miles east of Sandy Hook at 1:15 a. m.; will dock about 9 a. m. Friday.

SIASCONSET, Mass., Dec. 24.—Steamer Pretoria, Hamburg for New York, was 250 miles east of Sandy Hook at 5:15 a. m.; will dock about 9 a. m. Friday.

CAPE RACE, Newfoundland, Dec. 24.—Steamer La Lorraine, Havre for New York, was in wireless communication at 11:40 p. m. 23rd; distance not given.

CAPE RACE, Newfoundland, Dec. 24.—Steamer New York, Southampton for New York was 1,150 miles east of Sandy Hook at 8 a. m.; will dock about 10 a. m. Sunday.

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Will Thresh Out Question of Officials' Sentence.

Will Make Every Effort for Free Press and Speech.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The whole question of the sentences for contempt of court of President Gompers, Vice President Mitchell and Secretary Morrison of the American Federation of Labor, by Judge Wright in the supreme court of the District yesterday, will be threshed over at the regular meeting of the executive council of the Federation in this city January 11 next. Resolutions sustaining the attitude of the leaders of the organization will be submitted for action, and the policy of the Federation, in view of the court's action and arraignment carried in the decision, will be outlined. Active steps in the framing of the fight against the carrying out of the sentences are not likely until next week, and Secretary Morrison said today that the plan, so far as the officials of the Federation themselves foresee, is to do nothing about it until after the holidays.

"It seems," said Mr. Morrison, "that in the District of Columbia there is really no limit to the sentence that can be imposed for contempt of court. In a great many states there is a limit. In New York, for instance, six months is the maximum."

"We purpose," he added, "to exhaust every effort to sustain our right to a free press and free speech. I am confident that the position taken by the Federation is right, and the citizens of this country will ratify the attitude of the Federation in this matter. I believe that they will give to the trades unionists in Great Britain, as provided for by the trades dispute act adopted there two years ago. Under that act a union cannot be mulcted in damages on account of a strike."

It is not probable that arguments on the appeal will be heard in the court of appeals of the District of Columbia until March, and perhaps not then. The defendants have 40 days in which to perfect their appeal, and upon a proper showing the court in its discretion may extend the time. Should the upper court sustain the ruling of Judge Wright, and a further appeal to the Supreme Court of the United States be granted, the case necessarily will not come up for decision in the highest tribunal of the land until the fall term, which will begin next October.

NO RADICAL CHANGE.

Chemical Schedule of Tariff Not Likely to Be Largely Affected.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The chemical schedule of the tariff, on which the subcommittee of the ways and means committee is now considering changes, is not likely to be radically affected by the revision of the tariff law. The requests for changes in the rates of duty are principally for special articles and not for the schedule as a whole, those seeking increases being about as numerous as those who have argued for decreases.

Chloral sulphuric acid, now assessed 25 per cent ad valorem, and which is used in the manufacture of saccharine, and licorice paste, used in preparing chewing tobacco, are wanted on the free list by certain manufacturers. Lower duties were asked for glue, borax and lactic acid, while a strong protest has been made against the placing of a duty on synthetic camphor. The committee has been asked to place a duty on oxalic acid, while a duty of 20 per cent ad valorem has been recommended for benzoic acid, now admitted free. A request has been made that a number of coal tar products now on the free list should be assessed a duty of 20 per cent ad valorem.

The subcommittee has not yet undertaken the consideration of a change in the wording of the enacting clause of the tariff law, but it has been suggested that the new law should be made to go into effect on the day after it is signed by the President, instead of "on and after the passage of this act," as the present law reads, in order to facilitate the work of the customs officers.

DEPENDENT CHILDREN.

Roosevelt Calls Conference to Discuss Problem of Their Care.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—"The best way to care for dependent children is in the family home," says President Roosevelt, in a letter made public today, calling a conference to be held in this city January 25 next, for the discussion of the problem of caring for dependent children. The conference was suggested in a letter submitted to the President by Homer Folks, secretary of the New York State Charities Aid Association, Charles W. Birtwell of Boston, secretary of the Children's Aid Society, and others engaged in philanthropic work. The President, in his letter, which was to about 169 prominent men, says:

"I am confident that you will be impressed with the very great importance of the subject touched in this letter, and the desirability that there should be the fullest discussion of the proposition a memorandum of which I enclose. Surely nothing ought to interest our people more than the care of the children who are destitute and in need, and not delinquent. Personally I very earnestly believe the best way in which to care for dependent children is in the family home. In Massachusetts many orphan asylums have been discontinued, and thousands of children who formerly have gone to the orphan asylums are now kept in private homes, either on board, with payment from public or private treasuries, or in adopted homes, provided by the generosity of foster parents. Many religious orders have within the past 10 years organized child-placing agencies. I am accordingly inviting a number of men and women, a list of whom I will announce, to a conference to be held in Washington January 25 and 26. The conference will open by my receiving the members at the White House January 25 at 2:30 p. m. Can you attend? Will you please communicate with Mr. James E. West, 1343 Clifton Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.?"

M'INTYRE CAUSES GREAT SENSATION.

Asks That Skura Be Committed for Perjury.

Cabman to Give Further Testimony Before Decision.

FLUSHING, N. Y., Dec. 24.—A sensational incident marked the trial today of Thornton J. Hains, accused of participation in the murder of William E. Annis, when John F. McIntyre, for the defense, asked the court to commit for perjury Martin I. Skura, a cabman, who had taken the stand as the first witness of the day. After Skura had given his direct testimony, and when he said that Thornton Hains had asked him to drive behind the stage carrying Mrs. Annis, and that one of the brothers had said "We've got him now," he was subjected to a severe cross-examination by Hains's counsel.

Mr. McIntyre asked if he had signed a statement prepared by Joseph Shay and Eugene Young, of counsel for the defense, alleging that there was no conversation in the cab and Mr. Annis's name was never mentioned. Skura declared he had made the statements and they were false. Mr. McIntyre moved that the 18-year-old cabman be committed for perjury. Judge Crane said that he would take no action, pending a further examination of the witness. District Attorney Darrin drew from the witness that he made the statement believing the lawyers to be reporters, and if he told the truth it would have been printed in the papers, and he would have gotten into difficulties with Mr. Darrin.

When recess was taken Judge Crane denied a motion to have Skura placed in the custody of an officer, and sent the boy out for his lunch unattended. Skura will be examined further.

The state's case against Hains seemed to be near its close this morning. District Attorney Darrin said he hoped all the prosecution's witnesses could all the prosecution's witjournment was taken over Christmas until Saturday. The wives of three members of the Bayside Yacht Club, where William E. Annis was shot and killed, were under subpoena, and were expected to be called by the state today to tell of the incidents in which Mr. Annis participated previous to the shooting. The lawyers for Thornton Hains expect to open the defense Saturday or Monday, and Joseph Shay will outline the case to the jury.

It is not known how many witnesses will be called by the defendant's lawyers, but they are placing their main hope in the story that Thornton J. Hains will tell on the stand. "Thornton Hains's recital," said John McIntyre today, "will be clear and convincing, and will tear the state's case to pieces. The defendant has no fear of the cross-examination of the prosecution's lawyers, and after his testimony the shooting of Annis will be seen in a different light."

It is generally regarded as certain that Hains's lawyers will take the stand to refute the testimony of Policeman Fallon that Thornton Hains, referring to Annis, said to him on the night of the coroner's inquest that he would "like to go down into Hell and bring him back and kill him over again."

With the introduction of the Ripley letter yesterday the defense's counsel will probably develop from Thornton Hains what he meant in his letter regarding Annis, and if this line of examination is allowed the story of Captain Peter C. Hains's unfortunate marital trouble will come out.

Martin Skura, the cabman who August 15 drove the Hains brothers from the station at Bayside to the yacht club, was recalled to the stand when court opened today. He identified the defendant as one of his passengers, and testified that as they passed the yacht club stage on the road the defendant told him to pull up and let the stage go ahead. As the stage passed Skura heard the defendant say: "We've got him now."

On the road to the club the defendant asked the witness about real estate for sale and then if he knew Annis. The witness said he saw Mrs. Annis alight from the stage at the club. The defendant and his companion left the cab at the club, and the two men entered the club house, where he saw the defendant speak to the negro waiter, Ellerson. Skura said that about ten minutes after the two men entered the club house they came out and went down to the dock. The witness remained by his cab. He heard the shooting and afterward went for Dr. Haughton.

Mr. McIntyre, cross-examining, directed the witness to repeat the story he had told on direct examination. Skura said that he had made a statement to District Attorney Darin, and that it had been written out and read to him once. He saw Mr. Darrin last Sunday about the case.

Under a running fire of questions, the witness said he did not remember the faces of those who rode in his cab. He said he had never before told publicly the story he related here today. The witness adhered to all the testimony he gave on his previous examination. He declared that no one had pointed out the defendant since his previous appearance on the stand. The witness said he had signed a paper for Mr. Young, one of counsel for Thornton Hains, and he identified his signature to the paper.

Reading from Skura's statement, Mr. McIntyre asked if he had not said "There was no conversation on the trip, and the name of Annis was never mentioned."

"Yes."

"Did you say that no one asked anything about keeping back?"

"Yes."

"Did you say that the captain's face was drawn and haggard, and that he kept his head bowed and spoke to no one?"

"Yes."

"Now, you swore to this statement in the presence of Mr. Young?"

"Yes."

Mr. McIntyre offered the statement in evidence and it was read to the jury. The statement declared that before the brothers entered the cab Captain Hains "stood like a statue, as if in a daze." It further stated that

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CASTRO WOULD ABANDON CLAIMS.

Would Not Stand in Way of Settling Difficulties.

Still Doubts Attitude of New Government at Caracas.

BERLIN, Dec. 24.—Cipriano Castro today gave a statement to the Associated Press which amounts virtually to the abandonment of his present claims to the presidency of the Venezuelan republic. This statement is as follows:

"After taking cognizance of everything printed in the newspapers from Venezuela, I doubt the attitude therein attributed to the present government at Caracas, but I will have more to say on this subject when I am in better health, and when I have full knowledge of what has occurred.

"In any event, I shall place no difficulties in the way of the present administration of Venezuela in settling the pending controversies with foreign governments, even if this should involve my own withdrawal from activity in the affairs of the nation."

General Castro will remain two weeks longer in the private sanitarium of Dr. Israel. He will give out no information concerning his future plans.

DOLPHIN AT WILLEMSTAD.

First of American Warships Venezuela-Bound, to Reach Waters.

WILLEMSTAD, Island of Curacao, Dec. 24.—United States gunboat Dolphin entered the harbor here at 8 o'clock this morning.

Cruiser Des Moines was in wireless communication with the station here at 10 o'clock. She will make the port at noon.

The Dolphin is the first of several American warships now on their way to Venezuelan waters to reach her destination. The other vessels are cruisers Des Moines and North Carolina and battleship Maine. The Dolphin will proceed to La Guayra, and the North Carolina will stay at Curacao. As both ships are equipped with wireless telegraphy, they will be able to maintain communication between Venezuela and the outside world, no telegraphic communication between Willemstad and Venezuela. The North Carolina has on board W. I. Buchanan, special commissioner of the United States to settle the questions at issue. The Maine is expected to reach La Guayra Saturday.

FRONTIER TRADE NOW RESUMED

Venezuela and Colombia Relations Had Been Strained for Years.

BOGOTA, Colombia, Dec. 24.—The new Venezuelan government has announced that it will permit the resumption of trade over the frontier between Venezuela and Colombia at all frontier points.

Relations between Venezuela and Colombia have been strained for several years past, and President Castro at one time issued a decree prohibiting the entrance of merchandise from Colombia into Venezuela except over certain transportation routes in which he was financially interested.

PAUL ON A SPECIAL MISSION.

Leaves La Guayra for Paris and The Hague, to Settle Disputes.

THE HAGUE, Dec. 24.—The foreign office has been advised that Jose de J. Paul, until recently Venezuelan minister of foreign affairs, left La Guayra today for Paris and The Hague, on a special mission from the new Venezuelan government, to open negotiations for the settlement of the existing disputes between Venezuela and France and Holland.

WHAT WOULD BE ACCEPTED.

Securities Named, Though No New Deposits are Contemplated.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Although no additional deposits of public funds in national banks are contemplated, Secretary Cortelyou today, in compliance with the law of March 4, 1907, announced the classes of securities which would be accepted in the event of such deposits being made. They are as follows: United States, Philippines, Porto Rico and District of Columbia bonds at par. Bonds of Hawaii territory at 90 per cent and, at the option of the Secretary of the Treasury, Philippines railway company bonds and those of states, municipalities and high-grade railroads such as are legal investments for saving banks in New York, Massachusetts, Connecticut or New Jersey, at 90 per cent of their par value. For the initial, or first, deposit United States bonds are required. No additional deposits are, however, now in contemplation.

LILLEY'S PLEADING.

Unconstitutionality of the Corrupt Practices Act.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 24.—Unconstitutionality of the corrupt practices act is the pleading of counsel of Governor-elect George L. Lilley in the case brought against him, in which are joined his financial agent, Colonel Asa [illegible], of New Haven, and other [illegible] agents, by George L. Fox of this city, in which the allegations are that the act in question has been violated. The allegations have to do with the character of campaign and election expenses. The pleading was placed in the hands of Mr. Fox's counsel today.

The election court, which is said to be the first of its kind in this country, will sit Saturday. Lawyers are not agreed as to whether the pleading of unconstitutionality will serve as a stay of proceedings. Mr. Fox is having many subpoenas served today in order to be ready for the submission of evidence, in case the court should overrule the pleading and order the case to proceed. An appeal in this event would be taken to the supreme court of errors by Mr. Lilley's counsel.

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THERE ARE NOT ENOUGH REGULARS.

United States Cannot Afford an Inadequate Army.

General Bell Suggests Remedies for Existing Evils.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The most urgent need of the army of the United States at present is an adequate remedy for the evils resulting from detached service of officers, says Major General J. Franklin Bell, chief of staff, in his annual report, made public today. He also says that the time has arrived when the United States can no longer afford to maintain an "inadequate army for peace needs, nor an army with antiquated organization."

According to General Bell, the number of officers on detached service is 591. The result is characterized as very disastrous, and among other things is given as the first cause the large number of desertions among enlisted men. General Bell dwells at

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Umbrellas. These umbrellas have been selected with a special view to their fitness for gifts. The handle assortments are fine. Children's sizes 50c and 75c. Ladies' sizes, 50c to $5. Men's sizes, 92c to $5.

Furs for Gifts. Handsome sets of the most popular furs for women and children, and Coats of Caracul and black pony, all attractively priced, which means lower prices than elsewhere.

Men's Neckwear. The very newest and neatest styles of Tecks, Four-in-Hands and bows, 50c value for 25c

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Handkerchiefs. Almost a bewildering assortment of embroidered, plain hemstitched or initial handkerchiefs to choose from.

Fancy Articles for Gifts Not Classified.

Suspenders in single boxes, 25c, 49c, 68c
Hose Supporters in single boxes, 25c up
Bags and Pocketbooks, Colgate's Perfumery, Pincushions, Writing Paper in fancy boxes, from 8c up to $2.50
Toilet Sets, Postal Card Albums, Belt Buckles, Jewelry, Jewel Cases, Belts, Sofa Pillows, Crochet Slippers, etc.

We advise not to delay shopping and to do it early in the day if possible.

The Hess-Leys Co.

This Morning's News.

RESIGNS FROM 31 COMPANIES.

Thomas F. Ryan Insists Failing Health Is Only Cause for Action.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The financial world of at least one continent received the surprise of the year today, when it was announced that Thomas F. Ryan, the traction, electric and banking colossus of the country, would relinquish his membership in the directorates of 31 corporations—some of them among the largest in America—on account of failing health. The directorates which Mr. Ryan abandons include that of the Industrial Trust Company of Providence. The only enterprises in the management of which the noted financier retains a hand are the Morton Trust Company, the National Bank of Commerce and the American Tobacco Company.

Mr. Ryan's action in withdrawing from the directorate of the many industrial and transportation companies in which he has been a predominant factor is taken in pursuance of a policy of retirement first adopted two years ago. At that time he was told by his physicians that the multiplicity of cares devolving on him from his active management of so many financial organizations, some of which, such as the Equitable Life Assurance Society and the Interborough-Metropolitan Street Railway system of New York, were more than sufficient in themselves to tax the endurance of any one individual, was rapidly undermining his health.

In speaking of his action, Mr. Ryan said: "This step has been taken after long and mature deliberation. There is no significance to it other than that my doctors told me I ought to let up. They first advised me to unload some of the responsibilities two years ago, and since then I have gradually withdrawn from the directorates of 34 corporations. My recent resignations are but the continuance of the policy adopted two years ago, of unloading business responsibilities as rapidly as I can in justice to the interests involved. There is absolutely nothing more to it than that."

SEVENTY YEARS' IMPRISONMENT

Lawyer Convicted of Destroying Patent Office Papers and Forgery.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—John A. Heany, an inventor of York, Pa., was acquitted and Henry E. Everding, an attorney of Philadelphia, was convicted by a verdict of a jury tonight after a trial on charges of conspiracy, forgery and destroying public records, growing out of the Patent Office scandal, which revealed the fraudulent handling of patent specifications on an electric light invention.

Heany was adjudged not guilty because the jurors did not believe from the evidence he had had any knowledge of a conspiracy. The jury recommended Everding to the mercy of the court.

His attorneys gave notice that they would file a motion in arrest of judgment and for a new trial.

The indictment upon which he was convicted comprised six charges of forgery, two of destroying public records and two of conspiracy, and a maximum sentence of 70 years may be imposed under the law.

Heany and Everding were jointly indicted with Neil W. Bacton, former assistant examiner in the Patent Office, who is now serving a term of three years as a result of his confession of guilt to the charges.

The three men were arrested last February after a rigid investigation of circulars in the Patent Office, which showed that papers and drawings filed by Heany for a patent on an electric light invention had been fraudulently dealt with.

During the trial there was evidence that original papers in the patent files were drawn and others were substituted and that in an effort to perfect the specifications so that a patent might be procured antedating all others in office, forgery and substitution were committed.

DEADLOCK TERMINATED.

United States' Recognition of Gomez Depends on Buchanan's Report.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The diplomatic deadlock which has existed between the United States and Venezuela for eight months as a result of President Castro's belligerent attitude was terminated when it was announced at the State Department that William I. Buchanan is on his way to Caracas on cruiser North Carolina, empowered to inquire into the Venezuelan situation and make a report on the advisability of a permanent resumption of friendly relations with the republic, which has just ended the stormy regime of the little dictator.

The extension of the hand of the United States to Venezuela is the direct result of the fall of Castro. With him, the State Department decided last winter, it was not possible to conduct negotiations, either for the adjustment of the grievances of American citizens or for the conduct of ordinary international relations.

It was announced tonight that the recognition of the new government under President Gomez by the United States will depend almost entirely upon the report of Mr. Buchanan on the ability of the incoming regime to maintain order and conserve the rights of property. Mr. Buchanan, it was explained is being sent out on the receipt of definite assurances from President Gomez, Castro's successor, of his intention to take up the outstanding questions in a reasonable spirit.

It has not yet been fully established that the Gomez government will retain the power without trouble, for there are many adherents of President Castro throughout the country—indeed the possibility that disorder may arise is indicated in the expedition of a decree for an American warship to Guayra, to which side this guard must has promptly responded.

WORK FOR TARIFF REVISERS.

Several Weeks Will Be Required to Consider Present Schedule.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The tariff framers obtained some idea today of the difficult and complex questions involved in the problem of revising the present tariff law. With over 6000 pages of testimony, voluminous reports from various sources at their disposal and thousands of letters giving information of great value in connection with the tariff, the subcommittee which will draft the new bill will be occupied for several weeks in revising the present schedules.

Two meetings were held today by the tariff-framing committee, which consists of the Republican members of the ways and means committee. Many of the matters of detail concerning "Schedule A" of the tariff were disposed of. "Schedule A" provides for the duties on chemicals, oils and paints, and as there were few points for changes which would affect the schedule on the whole, or which are of general interest, this schedule will probably occupy much less time in the committee than some others.

As the members of the sub-committee have been sworn to secrecy as to the deliberations and discussions at their meetings, positive information as to the conclusions reached is hardly obtainable.

CHIEF OF POLICE KOHLER.

Theory of Helping Rather Than Embittering Offenders Works Wonders in Reformation.

[New York World.]

"For years the police—unwilling and unwittingly, perhaps—have been instrumental in making as many criminals as any other agency, poverty, heritage and association excepted. This has been done by arresting first offenders and trivial offenders; by exposing and branding them with police court and prison records. The police have discouraged men; they have driven young and weak men to the haunts and association of habitual and expert criminals, who have taught them the ideals and practices of crime. The police have sometimes punished but never protected. The time has come to change all this and the golden rule policy is the way to do it."

Thus speaks Chief Frederick Kohler, of Cleveland, the best chief of police in America, according to President Roosevelt. He has put his ideas into effect and today is coming nearer to solving one of the greatest problems of the cities than any man has ever come.

Williams, Devery and even Police Commissioner Bingham, of New York call him a "dreamer" and "idealist," but Chief Kohler has done things. Above everything else he is a practical man and his ideas are practical ideas. His "common sense policy" in treating offenders against the law has proved a success and chiefs of police throughout the country are beginning to "sit up and take notice." The "best chief" has more than lived up to the President's praise. That crime in the cities can be reduced to a minimum, if not actually checked, by the simple observance of the Golden Rule, Chief Kohler thinks he has proved. A year's trial of this policy in dealing with crime and criminals in Cleveland has convinced him of it and now other cities are preparing to follow the example of Cleveland in instituting the Golden Rule policy. It is only a question of time, its advocates say, until it will be adopted everywhere throughout the United States.

Chief Kohler was the first man to employ the golden rule in treating with crime, so to him belongs the credit of whatever success it has attained. The "golden rule" policy was put into effect a year ago and statistics for the first nine months, which have just been compiled, prove it to be an unqualified success.

As its name implies, the golden rule policy is designed to treat offenders against the law as men, even when they are drunk; even when they disturb the peace; even when they insult the dignity of a policeman. Under the workings of this policy intoxicated men are taken or sent to their homes instead of being placed in jail. Apparent offenders on any misdemeanor charges are warned and released by simply taking their name and address, unless it is evident on the face of things that the offense was committed with malice and forethought. In short, the policemen are instructed that the people they have to deal with are human beings, not machines; liable to make mistakes and failures, but not therefore lost souls. They are taught to be friends and parole officers of the offenders against the law. They are instructed to enforce the law, but with the least show of authority, without personal pride and with the greatest sense of human justice. Policemen are made judges over the offenders who get into their clutches. If the offenses be serious the offenders must go to jail, but that is for the policemen to decide.

The majority of the offenders who are brought into police courts are either discharged or released on payment of a fine. But little good is accomplished in that way. In fact, many people believe that such practices cause positive harm. First offenders get police court records which stick to them for life; the families of the poor offenders who are fined are frequently deprived of the necessities of life and the only gain is a few paltry dollars added to the city treasury. In addition, the offender and his family and relatives are mortified and disgraced.

Under the "golden rule" policy the city has saved thousands of dollars in witness fees, much work for the police judges, police clerks and court attaches; wear and tear of all police apparatus. Patrolmen and detectives are able to devote more time to the pursuit of habitual criminals and crimes of a serious nature.

Statistics for the first nine months of the operation of this policy in Cleveland show a decrease of 65 per cent in the number of arrests as compared with the first nine months of 1907, when the old system was in vogue. In the first nine months of 1907, 23,402 arrests were made in Cleveland. In the first nine months of 1908 but 8,058 arrests were made. The statistics also show that 12 per cent more habitual criminals were arrested during the nine months under the golden rule policy than in the first nine months of 1907.

NOISY CLOCKS.

Recently a London firm of clockmakers discovered that a rival German company was doing a large business in cheap clocks on the west coast of South Africa. After examining one of the clocks, and seeing that there was profit in the transaction, the London firm invested a large sum of money in the manufacture of timepieces destined for South Africa. They determined to give the native a better article than the German one, and felt sure of success.

The clocks were shipped to the market where the Germans had reaped a rich harvest. The sales were very slow while the German article went off freely. At last the puzzle was explained. The new clocks were too quiet. Those supplied by the Germans had a particularly aggressive tick which satisfied the savage's love of noise. The noiseless clock was a better timepiece; but the savages would have none of it.

At the next shipment this was changed. Worth gave place to sound, and clocks went to Africa that ticked loudly enough to satisfy the most noise-loving native. The people were delighted, and the German product became a drug on the market.

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THE COMING OF SANTA CLAUS AT THE FIREPLACE.

UNITED STATES NAVY SECOND.

Our Country Has 31 First-Class Battleships and Ranks Next to Great Britain.

The United States navy stands second among those of the great world powers at the present time according to the Navy Year Book, prepared by the clerk in the Senate navy committee and now in the hands of the public printer. Germany is third, while France has dropped to fourth place and Japan is fifth. The year book will show that Great Britain has 61 first-class battleships, with a tonnage of 1,010,380; the United States 31, with a tonnage of 449,196; Germany 31, with a tonnage of 434,455; France 26, with a tonnage of 357,122, and Japan 15, with a tonnage of 231,444. Including armored cruisers also, however, France ranks Germany, the navy tonnage of both battleships and armored cruisers being 584,254, while that of Germany is only 584,251.

The tonnage of the United States battleships and armored cruisers is 597,241. That of Great Britain is 1,855,099. France takes precedence of both the United States and Germany, when the tonnage of all the vessels in the navy is counted. All told, France has 516 vessels to the credit of her navy, their total tonnage being 801,188, while the total tonnage of the entire German navy is 648,599, that of the United States 770,448, and that of Japan 444,803.

CHRISTMAS MAIL POUCH STOLEN

A mail pouch containing 60 pounds of registered Christmas packages consigned to eastern points was stolen from the baggage room of the Belt Line Railroad near Kansas City, Tuesday. Although the postoffice authorities refuse to make any statement as to the contents of the pouch, it is believed to have contained much valuable merchandise. There was no money in it.

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DESSERTS USING CREAM.

Tempting Recipes Given in Which It Is to Be Cooked.

Neapolitan Iced Pudding an Attractive Dish and May be Easily Prepared.

[Cornelia C. Bedford.]

French Tea Cream—Scald one quart of cream, take from the fire, add one tablespoonful of any preferred kind of tea, stir for an instant, cover closely for six minutes, then strain. Return to the fire in a double boiler with five eggs and five tablespoonfuls of sugar beaten together and added to it, and stir until as thick as custard. Take from the fire, add one box of gelatine, which has been soaked in one cupful of cold water and stir until dissolved. Strain into a wetted mold and set away until firm. Serve with whipped cream.

Chocolate Cream—Grate and melt over hot water four ounces of bitter chocolate, add to it three-quarters of a cupful of sugar, and when dissolved one quart of scalded cream. Stir for five minutes over the fire, then set aside until cold. Add eight well-beaten eggs and one teaspoonful of vanilla, pour into a buttered mold, set in a pan of hot water, cover and cook slowly over the fire until a skewer or knife blade will come out clean; this will take about an hour. Set aside until very cold, turn out carefully, and garnish with cream, sweetened, flavored and whipped.

A Simple Cream Whip—Whip one pint of very thick cream to a solid froth. Cut into it very carefully three tablespoonfuls of apricot or other marmalade; spread it in layers in a glass dish with macaroons dipped in fruit juice or syrup between each layer. Garnish with bits of candied or preserved fruit and serve at once.

Cream of Coffee Bavarois—Scald one pint of milk in a double boiler, stir four tablespoonfuls of freshly ground coffee in a piece of cheese-cloth, drop it into the milk, cover and let stand at the side of the fire for 10 minutes. Remove the coffee and add four eggs beaten together with three-quarters of a cupful of sugar, stir over the fire until the mixture thickens like custard. Add one-half of a box of gelatine soaked in one-half of a cupful of cold water, take from the fire, stir until dissolved, strain, and set aside until the mixture begins to thicken. Add one teaspoonful of vanilla and one pint of cream thickened to a solid froth, turn into wetted molds and set away until firm.

Neapolitan Iced Pudding—Grate or scrape six squares of chocolate, add one-half of a cupful of sugar and set over hot water until melted; add one cupful of boiling water and boil for 10 minutes, then set aside until cold. Whip one quart of thick, sweet cream to a solid froth and divide into three parts. To one portion add carefully the chocolate mixture, to the second portion one-half of a cupful of powdered sugar and two teaspoonfuls of vanilla, and to the remainder one tablespoonful of strawberry, cherry or raspberry jelly. Fill the mold having a tight cover with alternate layers of the three mixtures; cover with a sheet of waxed paper, force on the cover, bind round with a strip of buttered muslin and line yhe mold in ice and salt for three or four hours. Wipe off the mold carefully to remove all traces of salt, turn out on a platter and serve.

PORTSMOUTH.

[Regular correspondence of the News.]

Mr. Harrison S. Manchester was given a surprise party Tuesday evening, in honor of his twentieth birthday. The company numbered 20, and was composed of relatives and intimate friends. Games were played and cake and fruit were served. A large birthday cake, frosted in white and having on it 20 lighted candles in various colors surrounding his initials, H. S. M., and the dates 1888 and 1908, also in colors, was cut. Concealed in the cake was a thimble, which Miss Ruth Coggeshall found; a button, found by Mr. Manchester; a ring, by Miss Edith Coggeshall, and a ten-cent piece, by Mr. Edward Harvey. A number of presents were received by Mr. Manchester, who has recently returned to his home from Delaware, where he spent the summer in business.

Dogs among Mr. Benjamin T. Anthony's fowls Sunday night killed 15 ducks and six geese and bit three, which will die.

The Maxon Rogers place has been sold, the purchasers to take possession in March.

There are to be no Christmas decorations at St. Mary's this year.

Mr. and Mrs. George A. Faulkner have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. Irving Faulkner of Fall River.

PASSENGERS ON KAISER WILHELM DER GROSSE.

Among the passengers on steamship Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, which arrived from Europe yesterday, were Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt and Baroness Raymond Sellière. Mrs. Vanderbilt, who has been visiting her daughter, Countess Laszlo Szechenyi, at Zemplen Megye, Hungary, was met at the pier by Mr. Alfred G. Vanderbilt, Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Vanderbilt and Mrs. Henry Payne Whitney. Baroness Sellière was met by her son, Mr. Philip W. Livermore. Baroness Sellière will be a guest of Mrs. Vanderbilt for three weeks.

Others on the Kaiser Wilhelm were Mr. Henry Symes Lehr, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony J. Drexel, Miss Margaretta Drexel, Mrs. Potter Palmer and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Beale McLean, the last-named formerly Miss Evelyn Walsh, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Walsh.

PERSONALS.

...Lord Curzon has started on a prolonged trip to South Africa, with the object of recruiting his health, considerably shaken by his automobile accident of last summer, and does not expect to be back in England much before May or June next. He has gone by way of Cape Verde and St. Helena, and before returning expects to visit every part of South Africa south of the Zambesi river.

...Three royal personages, namely, the ex-Grand Duchess of Luxemburg, the 16-year-old Prince Nikita, son of Prince Waldemar of Denmark and of his French wife, Princess Marie of Orleans, and Princess Francoise of Orleans, daughter of the Duc and Duchesse de Guise, and grandchild of that Duc de Chartres who served on McClellan's staff during the Civil war in this country, will celebrate their birthday Christmas Day.

...In a heavy snowstorm which covered the ground to a depth of about four inches, President Roosevelt went the other day for a walk of about 10 miles, accompanied by two Secret Service guards. It was after dark when he returned to the White House from his hard tramp over the snowy roads of the suburbs. Heavy rain or snow affords the President the greatest delight during his walking ...



THE COMING OF SANTA CLAUS AT THE CHIMNEY TOP.

SANTA'S SURPRISE PARTY.

[Gladys Hyatt Sinclair in St. Nicholas.]

'Twas a glad Christmas eve, and all over the world.
With reindeer and sleigh dear old Santa had whirled.
No one was forgotton or slighted by him;
Each stocking was bulging and crammed to the brim.
"There!" cried the old saint as he stopped at his door,
"I've made all the little ones happy once more!
But the rest of the night will be lonely, I fear;
Why—what is this wonderful racket I hear?"
He bounded down nimbly, so great his surprise,
That stopped just inside, scarce believing his eyes;
For here were the children that he had supposed
Were sleeping down yonder with eyes tightly closed;
Here, singing and dancing and frisking in glee
Around a most dazzling and beautiful tree!
"Oh, Santa," they cried, "we have found you at last!
How tired you must be! You have journeyed so fast
To take us good gifts; but now, Santa Claus, see!
We have brought you some gifts, and this splendid, big tree!
We want you to know, just for once in a way,
How happy you make us each new Christmas day.
These gifts did not grow in your Christmas tree grove;
We brought them for you, with our very best love!"
Then I wish you had seen them lead Santa about
To examine his gifts—heard his laugh and his shout
When he found a fur coat with a collar so wide,
When he read the gay note that was fastened inside!
There were bells for the reindeer, a pipe and red mittens,
And one little girl had brought Santa her kittens.
He'd a brush for his clothes and a brush for his hair,
He had pictures and books and a great easy chair
Where a good saint might nap it and sit at his ease
While presents grew ripe on his ever-green trees.
He'd a pair of new spectacles, shining and bright,
To help him to fill little stockings aright.
There were cushions so soft for the magical sleigh,
A cap trimmed with fur and a dressing gown gay,
And stockings so long and so warm and so thick,
Jack Frost can no more play his favorite trick
Of blowing a blast upon Santa Claus' toes
As over the steeples, at Christmas, he goes.
"Please wear this red scarf!" whispered one little elf;
"I made it, dear Santa; I worked it myself!"
He caught up the girlie and gave her a kiss.
He hugged them and thanked them—not one did he miss;
Then, "laying his finger aside of his nose,"
He twinkled his eyes—and what do you suppose?
Such visions of stockings, filled up to the top,
Bedazzled those children, they scarcely could stop
To promise a visit the very next year—
To cry "Merry Christmas! Good night, Santa, dear!"
Then home o'er the cloud hills they scampered and ran;
Now guess all the gifts that they found—if you can!

CHRISTMAS BELLS.

[Written for The News.]

The bells, the bells, the Christmas bells,
What is the message we hear,
As over the earth their music floats
And fills the bright atmosphere?
The bells, the bells, the Christmas bells,
They are calling us to prayer.
And hark! the sound of worshippers
Floats on the morning air.
The bells, the bells, the Christmas bells,
They merrily, merrily ring:
And Mary with babe in manger low
Heard the angels sing.
The bells, the bells, the Christmas bells,
The angels' trumpet rings.
"Peace on earth, good will to men,"
Is what the angels sing.
The bells, the bells, the Christmas bells,
The shepherds standing nigh,
Watching the star at Bethlehem,
Sing, "Glory to God on High."

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HANGING THE STOCKINGS.

[Burgess Johnson in Everybody's.]

Christmas eve! It's Christmas eve!
Supper's cleared away—
Seems as if I can't believe
That today's today!
I don't see a thing, do you,
We can hang a stockin' to?

For a month or just about,
Days would hardly stir,
Though I crossed their places out
On the calendar.
—Pins or nails'll never stick
In this hard old chimney brick.

P'raps as soon as night's begun
He'll come stealing in!
My! It makes the shivers run
Up and down my skin.
Mayn't I pound a nail up here
In the woodwork, mother dear?
Daddy's sock 'll never do.—
No; a toy would fit.
S'pose we let him stand his shoe
Just in under it?
—There! They're done. I'm sleepy, some,
Bet tomorrow'll never come!

DECEMBER.

[St. Nicholas.]

There are snowdrifts by the wayside,
there is writing on the pane,
Where Jack Frost has left a message
about winter come again:

There's that tingling in the blood and
there are sleighbells in the air,
There is coasting down the hills, and
slipping, sliding, ev'rywhere!

There's a stocking by the chimney
hung on Xmas eve because
There's a chance you'll have a visit
from our old friend Santa Claus.

There's a bright star in the Heavens
that proclaimed a wondrous birth,
When the Chosen Child of Children
brought his Christmas day to earth:

There are mistletoe and holly in the
woods to deck the hall,
Here's the Christmas spirit wishing
Merry Christmas to you all!

FANCIES.

When grandma danced the minuet,
Some sixty years ago,
The stately couples often met
Beneath the mistletoe.

To waltzes now the customs veer,
But Mabel's foxy beau
That damsel doth contrive to steer
Beneath the mistletoe.

The dances change, but not the game,
As close observers know,
For mortals act about the same
Beneath the mistletoe.
—[Louisville Courier-Journal.

Never mind the chimney
When you come, oh generous soul;
Just drop around the basement way
And leave a ton of coal.
—[Washington Star.

"Here's a job for Burbank?"
"What?"
"Training a Christmas tree to sprout its own presents."—[Louisville Courier-Journal.

Customer—How do you manage to keep your trade this holiday season with so many counter attractions?
Retail Merchant—By counter attractions.—[Boston Transcript.

Parker—Do your children know you when you rig yourself up as Santa Claus?
Lane—Oh, yes; but they are very nice about it. They pretend they don't.—[Life.

The Lady Helper at the Christmas Party—Do you think you could eat any more plum pudding, Willie?
Willie—I think I could, mum, if you'd let me stand up to it.—[The Sketch.

"Of course," said the over-wise child, "you know that Santa Claus is a myth."
"That's the way with some people," commented the old-fashioned youngster. "I hate to see anybody knocking his best friend."—[Washington Star.

"What's this contraption?" demanded he.
"Can't you tell?" parried she.
"I cannot. I can't see what it's intended for."
"For a Christmas present, of course."—[Louisville Courier-Journal.

"Do you believe that ignorance is ever bliss?" said the credulous girl.
"I never studied the question," answered Miss Cayenne, "but I should say that a young person who doesn't know the difference between holly and mistletoe would have a decided advantage at a Christmas party."—[Washington Star.

ORDERS TO RUSH GUNBOATS.

Repairs on Paducah and Marietta to be Hastened at Portsmouth Navy Yard.

Orders have been received at the Portsmouth N. H. navy yard to rush all work on gunboats Paducah and Marietta now undergoing repairs there. Until last summer the two gunboats had been assigned to duty in Southern waters, and it is supposed that the new orders to put them in commission again as soon as possible are given because of the developments in Venezuela.

Under the original orders the vessels were to have had a general overhauling, and it was expected that the work would not be completed before the end of February or early in March.

OFFICIAL RECIPE FOR BOSTON BEANS

Hereafter there is to be only one way to make genuine Boston baked beans and brown bread, and that way has been honored with the title of the "official receipt of the city of Boston." It was sent to the sole authorities of Batavia, N. Y., by the secretary of the Boston School committee, at "the order and by the authority of His Honor, Mayor George A. Hibbard, and is the official receipt of Boston baked beans and brown bread," says the letter.

A week ago Mayor Hibbard received a letter from Mrs. George J. Austin, who teaches household sciences in the Batavia schools, saying that she had been unable to get a recipe for the genuine article, and asking the mayor to forward it.

VANDERBILT GIFT TO NEW YORK YACHT CLUB.

Cornelius Vanderbilt, retiring commodore of the New York Yacht Club, will give the club a site for an addition to its palatial home as a Christmas present. Commodore Vanderbilt paid more than $160,000 to James B. Haggin for No. 35 West Forty-fourth street, adjoining the clubhouse. In it is a costly private stable. The new property will give the club a site 100x165.

J. Pierpont Morgan gave the site of the present house to the club when he was commodore. The clubhouse is too small for the large membership, and the addition will be planned at once.

MIDDLETOWN PROBATE NOTICES.

NOTICE OF EXECUTRIXES.

The subscribers hereby give notice that in and by the will of their father, William Bailey, late of Middletown, R. I., deceased, they are appointed the Executrixes thereof; that said will has been proved, allowed and admitted to record by the Court of Probate of said Middletown; that they have given bond to said Court as required and are now duly qualified to act as such Executrixes.

All persons having claims against the estate of said William Bailey are hereby notified to file the same in the Office of the Clerk of said Court within six months from the date hereof, and those indebted to said estate will make payment to the undersigned.

MARY S. BAILEY,
ELIZABETH E. UNDERWOOD,
Executrixes.

Middletown, R. I., December 11, 1908.

PORTSMOUTH PROBATE NOTICES.

Probate Court of the Town of Portsmouth.
December 17th, 1908.

Estate of George S. Sherman.

An instrument in writing, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of George S. Sherman, late of said Portsmouth, deceased, is presented for probate, and the same is received and referred to the 11th day of January at 1 o'clock P. M., at the Probate Court Room, in said Town of Portsmouth, for consideration; and it is ordered that notice thereof be published for fourteen days, once a week, in the Newport Daily News.

GEORGE R. HICKS, Clerk.

Probate Court of the Town of Portsmouth.
December 17th, 1908.

Hattie G. Anthony, Administratrix of the estate of Seth Anthony late of said Portsmouth, deceased, respectfully represents, that the personal property of said Seth Anthony is not sufficient to pay the debts which said Seth Anthony owes and the expense of settling his estate. That the said Seth Anthony at the time of his decease was seized and possessed of a one third part of an undivided tract or parcel of land with all the improvements thereon situate in the Town of Portsmouth in the County of Newport and State of Rhode Island known as the "George B. Anthony farm" bounded and described as follows: Northerly by a public highway called "Freebody Street," Easterly by land of the Newport and Providence Street Railway Co., Southerly by land of Henry C. Anthony, and Westerly by a public highway called the "West Main Road" or however otherwise the same may be bounded or described. She therefore that she may be authorized and empowered to sell said real estate at private sale to make up the deficiency of the personal estate for purposes aforesaid with incidental charges.

GEORGE R. HICKS, Clerk.

TIVERTON PROBATE NOTICES.

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND,
NEWPORT, Sc.

Probate Court of the Town of Tiverton.

Upon the petition in writing of Mary Cain, praying that Citation be issued to John Cain, Executor of the Will of Charles Cain, late of said Tiverton, deceased, commanding him to appear before this Honorable Court and show cause, if any he have, why decree of unfaithful administration should not be entered against him in accordance with the provisions of Section 1025 of the Court And Practice Act, for the reasons therein stated. Notice is hereby given to the said John Cain and to all persons interested in said estate and under said will, to be and appear before said Probate Court of Tiverton, at one o'clock P. M. on Saturday, January 30, A. D. 1909, to show cause, if they see fit, why the said John Cain should not be removed from the office of Executor aforesaid.

A. LINCOLN HAMBLY,
Probate Clerk.

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NEWPORT PROBATE NOTICES.

GUARDIAN'S NOTICE.

The undersigned hereby gives notice that he has been appointed by the Probate Court of the City of Newport, Guardian of the estate in Rhode Island of Charles Eustis Bohlen, minor of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and has given bond according to law.

All persons having claims against said ward are notified to file the same in the office of the Clerk of said Court within six months from the date of the first advertisement hereof.

I have appointed William Paine Sheffield of Newport, R. I., whose address is 223 Thames Street, my agent in the State of Rhode Island.

Charles Bohlen.

Newport, December 24th, 1908.

Probate Court of the City of Newport.
December 21st, 1908.

Estate of Charles A. Gillett.

An instrument in writing, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Charles A. Gillett, late of said Newport, deceased, is presented for probate, and the same is received and referred to the Eleventh day of January next at 10 o'clock, A. M., at the Probate Court Room, in said Newport, for consideration; and it is ordered that notice thereof be published for fourteen days, once a week, in the Newport Daily News.

Duncan A. Hazard, Clerk.

ADMINISTRATION NOTICE.

The undersigned, Executor of the last Will and Testament of Henry Gladding, late of the City of Newport, deceased, which Will has been admitted to probate by the Probate Court of the City of Newport, hereby gives notice that he has accepted said trust and has given bond according to law.

All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to file the same in the office of the clerk of said court within six months from the date of the first advertisement hereof.

I have appointed Herbert A. Knoll of Newport, R. I., whose address is No. 2 Hoffman Place, my agent in the State of Rhode Island.

Wanton M. Gladding.

Newport, December 24th, 1908.

Probate Court of the City of Newport.
December 21st, 1908.

Estate of Daniel P. Bull.

Request in writing is made by Phebe C. Bull, of said Newport, a sister of Daniel P. Bull, late of said Newport, deceased intestate, that Henry Bull, Jr., of said Newport, or some other suitable person, may be appointed Administrator of the estate of said deceased; and said request is received and referred to the Eleventh day of January next at 10 o'clock A. M., at the Probate Court Room, in said Newport, for consideration; and it is ordered that notice thereof be published for fourteen days, once a week, in the Newport Daily News.

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Probate Court of the City of Newport.
December 21st, 1908.

Estate of William E. Peck.

Request in writing is made by Mary E. Peck of said Newport, widow of William E. Peck, late of said Newport, deceased intestate, that she, or some other suitable person, may be appointed Administrator of the estate of said deceased; and said request is received and referred to the Eleventh day of January next at 10 o'clock A. M., at the Probate Court Room, in said Newport, for consideration; and it is ordered that notice thereof be published for fourteen days, once a week, in the Newport Daily News.

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Probate Court of the City of Newport.
December 21st, 1908.

Estate of Mary F. Dewick.

Emily F. Burdick, Executor of the Will of J. Truman Burdick, deceased, who was Guardian of the person and estate of Mary F. Dewick, of said Newport, of full age, presents the first and final account with the estate of said ward, for allowance; and the same is received and referred to the Eleventh day of January next at 10 o'clock A. M., at the Probate Court Room, in said Newport, for consideration; and it is ordered that notice thereof be published for fourteen days, once a week, in the Newport Daily News.

Duncan A. Hazard, Clerk.

Probate Court of the City of Newport.
December 21st, 1908.

Estate of Susan M. Myers.

Clark Burdick, Administrator with the will annexed of the estate of Susan M. Myers, late of said Newport, deceased, presents his first and final account with the estate of said deceased, for allowance, together with his petition in writing, praying that an order of distribution may be entered distributing the balance which may be found in his hands as administrator aforesaid, among the heirs-at-law of said deceased; and the same are received and referred to the Eleventh day of January next at 10 o'clock A. M., at the Probate Court Room, in said Newport, for consideration; and it is ordered that notice thereof be published for fourteen days, once a week, in the Newport Daily News.

Duncan A. Hazard, Clerk.

GUARDIAN'S NOTICE.

The undersigned hereby gives notice that it has been appointed by the Probate Court of the City of Newport, Guardian of the estate of Theodosia Burrow, minor, of said Newport, and has given bond according to law.

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Rhode Island Hospital Trust Company.

Newport, December 15th, 1908.

ADMINISTRATION NOTICE.

The undersigned hereby gives notice that he has been appointed by the Probate Court of the City of Newport, Administrator with the will annexed of the estate of William Crooke, late of said Newport, deceased, and has given bond according to law.

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Edwin S. Burdick.

Newport, December 11th, 1908.

ADMINISTRATION NOTICE.

The undersigned, Executor of the Last Will and Testament of David A. Pett, late of the city of Newport, deceased, which Will has been admitted to probate by the Probate Court of the City of Newport, hereby gives notice that he has accepted said trust and has given bond according to law.

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Louis L. Angell.

Newport, December 11th, 1908.

ADMINISTRATION NOTICE.

The undersigned hereby gives notice that she has been appointed by the Probate Court of the City of Newport, Administratrix of the estate of Anne Randolph Marvin, late of said Newport, deceased, and has given bond according to law.

All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to file the same in the office of the clerk of said court within six months from the date of the first advertisement hereof.

Lucy T. Marvin.

Newport, December 11th, 1908.

Probate Court of the City of Newport.
December 14th, 1908.

Estate of Oliver Wolcott Gibbs.

An instrument in writing, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Oliver Wolcott Gibbs, late of said Newport, deceased, is presented for probate, and the same is received and referred to the 4th day of January next at 10 o'clock, A. M., at the Probate Court Room, in said Newport, for consideration; and it is ordered that notice thereof be published for fourteen days, once a week, in the Newport Daily News.

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THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT.

Tomorrow will be Christmas. Whether or not it will be to us, individually, a merry Christmas depends more upon ourselves than upon anybody else, or anything else, in the world. Not the very worst of outward circumstances can prevent us from having a merry Christmas if we have in ourselves the real Christmas spirit; not the best of surroundings can make it such if we have not that spirit.

Undoubtedly the best way to have a merry Christmas is to make it so for others. Indeed, the whole philosophy of Christmas is touched by our quaint friend, Uncle Eben, when he says: "De meerriness of Christmas doesn't depend on de amount of capital invested. A few dollars spent among folks dat's in sho' nuff need will make you feel as philanthropic as if you had founded a library."

STREET CAR VENTILATION.

The subject of street car ventilation is receiving a good deal of attention this winter in various places. Perhaps this is due to the generally mild weather which has prevailed and has made the cars seem unusually stuffy and ill ventilated, and perhaps it is due, also, to the greater regard for fresh air which has been awakened by the anti-tuberculosis crusade. At all events, for one of these causes or both, and possibly for others also, much is being said and written regarding the importance of having more fresh air and less foul air in the street cars during this season, when the closed cars make riding not much of a pleasure, but rather a somewhat painful and trying duty. At best the motor closed street car is not the most healthful device ever invented, and when it is filled with steaming, perspiring, poorly clothed and ill-smelling humanity it is a menace to health which is undoubtedly responsible for a considerable share of the contagion which spreads over cities.

The least that can be done, therefore, by the railroad companies and employes, and by the passengers, is to try to have the cars as well ventilated as possible; but, unfortunately, companies, employes and many passengers do not appear to care much about the matter, and seem to be content to have the dangerous conditions of bad air and foul odors continue. Suggestions have been made in some places that a law be passed affecting the matter and requiring that cars be ventilated, but whether the movement which has been started will proceed to that length is doubtful. It may be doubtful, too, if that would be the wisest method of procedure. It certainly ought to be a matter easily regulated by the companies and their employes, without the passengers or the public being required to take a hand in it at all. It is not difficult under ordinary conditions of street car travel to have the vehicle fairly well ventilated if judgment and vigilance are exercised by those in charge.

This may seem a comparatively small and unimportant matter in a city where the cars are seldom crowded and the runs are short; but in a large city, where on many lines the cars are always crowded at certain hours of the day and the runs occupy a half hour, or even longer, the spending of so long a time in a car filled with all sorts and conditions of men, the foulair which they create and which all must breathe, becomes a serious matter, which concerns the public as well as the individual health. It is eminently proper, therefore, that not only those who suffer for lack of fresh air on these cars should protest, but also that the health authorities should take action in the matter, in the interest of the people, and strive to remedy this evil whose importance is not exaggerated, but, on the contrary, is hardly stated with sufficient fulness and emphasis by the most vehement among those who are agitating the movement for better conditions and a more endurable atmosphere in the street cars.

In small cities, too, the people are in a considerable measure independent of the cars, which are convenient, but not often as essential as in the large cities, where comparatively few persons can, if they wish, live within walking distance of their places of employment and the stores where they must make their purchases. There is thus in large cities no escape from the cars. They must be used, and the conditions, even at the best, in winter are bad enough without this added infliction of lack of ventilation and compulsory breathing of foul air full of contagious and odorous odors. Under such conditions it is a public duty for those who suffer to protest, as well as a public duty for the health authorities to act in the premises and require that the cars be sufficiently ventilated to assure the safety of the passengers from disease and contamination. If that is possible, and, if not, that they at least shall be made as comfortable or even be under the conditions in which they are obliged to ride in order to go to and from their places of labor and their homes. Perhaps it would not be possible to protect the passengers entirely from the danger of contagion, but that danger could at least be minimized, and to do that is the duty of the health authorities, if the car companies will not do it without pressure and authority from outside. To secure that authority and its exercise is the aim of this movement, which ought to be prosecuted until it is successful in accomplishing what is needed in this direction.

STILL BIGGER BATTLESHIPS.

The board of construction in the Navy Department has prepared plans for battleships much greater than any yet built here or abroad. It is reported that there are plans for two ships of 25,000 tons with eight 14-inch guns and one of 26,000 with 12 12-inch guns. The designed speed is a fraction more than 20 knots.

These plans raise two important questions, one relating to the size of the guns and the other to the speed of the engines. A 14-inch gun weighs much more than a 12-inch gun, and that is far heavier than a 10-inch gun. The bigger the gun the fewer of them can a ship carry, and the bigger guns will not only be fewer in number but they cannot be fired so fast as the smaller ones. Not nearly so many hits will be made with a 14-inch gun as with a 12-inch gun, and with the same weight of ordnance distributed among 10-inch guns many more hits would be made. A 14-inch shell which does not hit does no harm and a 10-inch or a 12-inch shell which hits does a terrible amount of damage, even though it may do less than a larger shell would. It will be noticed that there is not much difference in the displacement of the two types of battleship, but the one armed with 12-inch guns would carry 50 per cent more heavy guns than either of those armed with 14-inch guns. In view of this fact the one armed with the smaller guns would probably be a much more formidable vessel than either of the others.

The speed proposed is moderate in view of the fact that the battleship which carried the Prince of Wales to Quebec last summer averaged more than 25 knots across the Atlantic and surpassed the speed of the two newest and biggest Cunarders. Speed is a factor of enormous importance in war vessels, and even if these ships should be bigger and carry more and bigger guns than any other battleships, if they are to be five knots slower their relative effectiveness is problematical. Rapidity of movement and rapidity of fire are about as important as mere weight of metal thrown.

BOSTON'S NEW CHARTER.

The committee which has been preparing a draft of a new charter for the city of Boston proposes to recommend the abolition of the present common council of 75 members, and put the entire government of the city in the charge of a mayor and nine aldermen, elected by popular vote, and that in the election all party lines shall be abolished. By such a system the commission feels confident Boston can be furnished with a thorough business administration year after year, and that politics can be wiped out of municipal affairs. The charter will be presented at the next meeting of the legislature.

The celebration in honor of the inauguration of William H. Taft as President will be a big one if money can make it so. Already the committee has in hand $75,000, which is $25,000 more than the total amount received four years ago, and the fund will be still larger before the fourth of March.

William J. Bryan now tells the people of the country that he proposes to stop in politics, but he hopes, he says, that "it will never be necessary for me to run for office again. I prefer to do my work as a private citizen."

Rhode Island is well satisfied that the Baltimore game skipped the greater part of the state. Rhode Island however steps into the breach with sports of the wind blowing at the rate of 32 miles an hour.

The Pittsburg bell-ringers did not value their services very highly. Five dollars each was what some of them were willing to take.

No family in Newport ought to lack for a Christmas dinner. The Elks' distribution was broadcast, and generously responded to.

Merry Christmas to all!

JANUARY MAGAZINES

A magazine to pick up in a spare moment when one has not time or patience for a lengthy article, overburdened with uninteresting technicalities, or for the short period [illegible]

AROUND RHODE ISLAND.

State Considering the Purchase of Rocky Point.

Changes in Second Artillery Officers; Church Troubles to Go to Superior Court.

The chairman of the Metropolitan Park Commission at Tuesday's meeting of the executive committee was authorized to confer with the Providence, Fall River & Newport Steamboat Company on the purchase of Rocky Point by the state, and to present the question to the legislature at the coming session. Wednesday Dr. Foster H. Peckham, chairman of the board, stated that the steamboat company was willing to give the state an option on Rocky Point for 30 days, believing this period long enough for the legislature to decide whether or not to submit the proposition to the people at the next election, if the legislature should favor a popular vote, the option will be extended until after election day. The chairman will report these facts to the legislature. It is announced that the company is considering a two years' lease of the property, with the privilege of buying Rocky Point at the expiration of the lease. The understanding, however, is that an option will be given the state, if one is desired, and that plans for the opening of the resort will be held back, in accordance with the information given the chairman of the Metropolitan Park Commission. The price named is $250,000 for the 96 acres and buildings.

Stating that he was following out a request brought to him from the family, Mayor McCarthy of Providence absented himself from the funeral ceremonies of Councilman J. William Moore yesterday afternoon. Before a large gathering of city officials in the executive office at the city hall Mayor McCarthy made the announcement that the reason he would not be seen at the home of the late councilman at the funeral was because he had been asked to stay away. Following directly on this statement, the mayor paid tribute to Mr. Moore as a citizen, father and husband, and declared that his only criticisms had been directed at the chairman of the committee on railroads, and not at the man.

Fifteen hours after it left Providence barge Solitaire went adrift on the Atlantic in a storm between Fire Island and Montauk point, and there is great anxiety for the lives of the captain and crew of three men. Tug Walter A. Luckenbach, which had the Solitaire in tow, with barge San Joaquin, put into port at Newark, N. J., Wednesday morning, and the captain reported the loss of the barge. Revenue cutter Mohawk was notified of the loss, and is said to have gone in search of the Solitaire. The captain of the Luckenbach reported that about 4 o'clock Wednesday morning the Solitaire broke adrift from the tow nearly off Shinnecock, Long Island, and because of the heavy seas he was unable to pick her up again. After vainly trying to fasten a hawser the tug put on all steam for Newark, to have aid sent out. The tug with her barges sailed from Providence Tuesday, bound for Norfolk, Va., and was having a hard time with squalls kicked up by the storm Tuesday night when the Solitaire's hawsers parted.

Major Francis Cannon of Providence was unanimously elected lieutenant colonel of the Second Artillery, Coast Artillery corps, Rhode Island National Guard, at the regimental election in the state armory Wednesday evening. Captain Thomas F. Rodgers of Woonsocket, commanding the Twelfth company, was elevated to the junior major's rank, to succeed Major Cannon; this election also, was unanimous. Captain Rodgers's place as head of the company will be filled at an early date by the members of the Twelfth company. The election was necessitated by the expiration of the term of Lieutenant Colonel John A. O'Keefe, who declined a re-election to that position.

A big 40 horse-power automobile lies overturned in the cellar of the old Spring Lake mill, buried some years ago, without any clue to its ownership, while three young men who were in the machine when it went off the West Greenwich road Tuesday night have disappeared without any trace to tell the people of Washington village where they went. Before they left the machine they took off the registry numbers. Although one of the men was seriously bruised no physician can be found in Coventry who attended him and no one in the neighborhood knows what became of the men after they left a farmhouse near the scene of the accident, ostensibly to get oil for their lamps, said to be in Providence. The only man who had any conversation with the members of the wrecked automobile party is Lowell Greene, a farmer, who lives near the old mill cellar. He said the men, who were [illegible], refused to say who they were, from their conversation he gathered that they had come from West Greenwich, that the machine was a borrowed one, and that they were bound for Providence, whence they had come early in the evening. From the story told by the men, the automobile had just turned round the bend in the West Greenwich road leading to Washington village, and was speeding along with the throttle wide open," when the occupants of the machine suddenly found themselves hurled through the air, the driver being thrown backward from his seat and landing in the road, while the two in the tonneau were tossed beyond the machine, which landed upside down on the flooring of the cellar.

The troubles among the warring elements within the Olney Street Baptist church, colored, of Providence, are to be further aired in the superior court before a special jury, summoned under the unusual form of action known among lawyers as "forcible entry and detainer." Since the establishment of the superior court, no action of this kind has been brought, and the instances are very few when this form of litigation has been reported to in the state's history. The complaint is made in the name of "The Olney Street Baptist Church, Incorporated, by Robert Morgan and Mark Morris, trustees, [illegible] against Richard Hart and Robert Russell," and is addressed to "Hon. Charles C. Mumford, Justice of the Superior Court." Under the complaint, the court has ordered that the sheriff shall summon 12 jurors to sit [illegible] next Monday, for the purpose of hearing the case.

The Universalist Church at Harrisville has extended a call to Rev. Mr. Turner, pastor of a church near Dover, N. H., to succeed Rev. Frederick T. Nelson, who resigned to accept a call to Brunswick, Me. Mr. Turner has accepted the call and will begin his new duties January 3. He preached at the church last Sunday morning.

TREES IN NEW ENGLAND.

Corporations and private citizens through New England are beginning to realize the opportunities which this region offers for profitable forest planting. This year about 2,500 acres have been planted in the six New England states by private citizens. In addition, a number of water companies have adopted a forest policy. The largest plantation of this character, which comprises over 1,000 acres, belongs to the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board of Clinton, Massachusetts.

White pine is, of course, the species most generally planted, but other species which make excellent growth and are being used more and more are Norway spruce, for timber and pulp-wood chestnut, for telegraph poles, posts, ties, and lumber; red oak, for piles and ties; black locust, for fence posts, and sugar maple for a variety of products.

It is not only on these tracts of waste land that planting is beginning to play such an important part. The practical farmer in this region now realizes that this cheapest and best way to get the special wood products which he needs on his farm, is by planting the trees. He realizes, too, the protective value of plantations which serve as shelter belts and wind breaks. Altogether, this region offers excellent opportunities for tree planting.

One of the most important phases of reforestation in New England is that of planting abandoned farms and other waste land, which at present is bringing no income. In Massachusetts this waste land amounts to 30 per cent of the total area of the state, while the latest reports in Rhode Island shows 228 abandoned farms. It is this type of land which is now being planted. Wealthy men here see a good investment, and a number of them have planted tracts of at least 50 acres each this year, with the intention of increasing the size of the plantations annually. One owner in Massachusetts who started a white pine plantation of 65 acres this year, expects to plant 50 acres annually for the next 10 years, while others intend to plant tracts of various sizes ranging upwards to 200 acres apiece next spring.

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In the matter of Michael Joseph Behan, Bankrupt. } In Bankruptcy No. 825.

To the Creditors of Michael Joseph Behan, of Newport, in the County of Newport, in said district, a bankrupt.

NOTICE is hereby given that the said Michael Joseph Behan has filed a petition in said District Court for a discharge; and that said Court on the 21st day of December, A. D. 1908, made an order that a hearing be had upon said petition before said Court, at Providence, in said district, on the 9th day of January, A. D. 1909, at 10 o'clock, A. M., and that all the creditors of said bankrupt who have proved their debts and other persons in interest may appear at the said time and place and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of the said petitioner should not be granted.

CHESTER W. BARROWS, Referee in Bankruptcy.

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136 Bellevue Avenue.

THE WEATHER

BOSTON, Dec. 24, 8 A. M.—Forecast for Boston and vicinity—Snow and warmer tonight; Friday, snow or rain and warmer; light southerly to southwesterly winds, increasing; minimum temperature tonight, 26 to 30.

WEATHER CONDITIONS.

Light to moderate rains are expected in the Northern Pacific coast states, but in other sections of the country fair weather prevails this morning, except light rains at a few stations in the Ohio valley and a general cloudiness over the eastern portion of the country. The temperature is generally higher. In New England at 8 a. m. it ranged from zero to 12 below in northern parts, and near 18 degrees in southern. At New York it was 26, Washington 26, New Orleans 60, St. Louis 14, Chicago 10 and San Francisco 46.

J. W. Smith
Forecast Official.

LOCAL CONDITIONS.

	8 h	12 h	2 h
Temperature	23	36	37
Barometer	30.38	30.40	30.39
Wind	N	S W	S W
Weather	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy

MINIATURE CALENDAR.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24.

Sun rises	7 h 10 m
Sun sets	4 h 20 m
Moon sets	5 h 32 m
Length of day	9 h 10 m
Day's decrease	6 h 00 m
High water	7 h 58 m; 8 h 20 m

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25.

Sun rises	7 h 10 m
Sun sets	4 h 20 m
Moon sets	6 h 44 m
Length of day	9 h 10 m
Day's decrease	6 h 00 m
High water	8 h 46 m; 9 h 20 m

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 26.

Sun rises	7 h 11 m
Sun sets	4 h 21 m
Moon sets	7 h 55 m
Length of day	9 h 10 m
Day's decrease	0 h 0 m
High water	9 h 10 m; 10 h 14 m

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 27.

Sun rises	7 h 11 m
Sun sets	4 h 22 m
Moon sets	6 h 15 m
Length of day	9 h 11 m
Day's increase	0 h 1 m
High water	10 h 35 m; 11 h 10 m

Moon's Phases.
New Moon, Dec. 23, 6 h 51 m, E.
First Quarter, Dec. 30, 0 h 44 m, W.
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TO INSURE INSERTION ON THE DAY DESIRED CHANGES OF ADVERTISEMENTS SHOULD BE SENT IN THE NIGHT BEFORE.

FOR SALE

On Holland street, a cottage with lot over 50 feet front, $500—down, balance on mortgage.

FOR RENT.

Stable near Catherine Street.
A desirable unfurnished house on Mount Vernon Street.

HERBERT L. IDYER,
162 BELLEVUE AVENUE.
Branch Office 64 Broadway.

GAS AND ELECTRIC WORK

Installed and Repaired.

ALSO

SHEET METAL WORK in Copper, Tin and Iron.

Heating Apparatus that heats

Philip F. Conroy,

181 Thames St. Phone 817.

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Newport, R. I. Agency.

HOME of New York.

Assets $20,862,697.00
Surplus 6,703,221.00

Henry Bull, Jr.,

GAS BUILDING,

183 Thames Street.

Union National Bank,

Dividend No. 54.

A semi-annual dividend of [illegible] per cent has been declared payable to the stockholders on and after January 2nd, 1909.

W. A. COGGESHALL, Cashier.
Newport, R. I., December 23, 1908.

NEWPORT JOURNAL AND WEEKLY NEWS.

CONSTRUCTING QUARTERMASTER'S Office, 208 Thames St., Newport, R. I., Dec. 21, 1908. Sealed proposals, in triplicate, will be received in this office until 10 A. M., Dec. 26, 1908, for the alterations of and additions to the water supply and sewer mains at Fort Greble, R. I. Plans and specifications can be seen and information and blank forms obtained in this office. The United States reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Willis C. Metcalf, [illegible] and Quartermaster U. S. Army, in charge of construction.

FARM FOR SALE.

In Portsmouth, on trolley line. A Farm of forty five (45) acres, more or less, of 10 rooms. Barn for 24 head of cattle, Carriage House and henhouse. Well adapted for poultry farming. About the best Value on any list of farms.

A. O'D. TAYLOR, 132 Bellevue Avenue. Telephone 320. Hours 9 A. M. & P. M.

DIED

GIFFORD—In Portsmouth, 21st inst., Rebecca M., widow of Wilbur H. Gifford. Notice of funeral later.
DAILEY—In Providence, 23d inst., Susan, widow of John Dailey.
JEPHERSON—In Providence, 23d inst., George Jepherson, in his 80th year.
HOLLINGSWORTH—In Pawtucket, 23d inst., James Hollingsworth, in his 77th year.
HOPKINS—In Foster, 22d inst., Sarah M. Hopkins, in her 79th year.
DWELLY—In Fall River, 22d inst., Mary A., wife of George Dwelly.

JOHN S. LANGLEY, Undertaking.
16 Franklin Street
PHEPR E. LANGLEY, Mgr.
Residence 96 Mary St. Cor. High
Telephone 873-11th.

SNAP THIS UP.

Two-family house, 12 rooms, 2 baths, city water, good condition, barn (room for 3 horses), 3,000 sq. feet of land; house rents for $36.00; barn $8 per month, or $408 yearly rental. Price $3,400.

$1,000 cash; balance on mortgage.

C. H. Wrightington, 30 Bellevue Av

FOR CHRISTMAS

Nothing will please the girl or boy so well as a fine

Studebaker Junior

Looks for all the world like a regular Studebaker farm wagon. Shaft or pole as desired.

Will wear like the old "ONE HORSE SHAY."

—AT—

GEO. P. LAWTON'S.

TOWN OF PORTSMOUTH.

Notice of Application for Wholesale and Retail Liquor Licenses.

The following named, have made application to the Town Council of the Town of Portsmouth under the provisions of the General Laws and the public laws of the State of Rhode Island to sell pure spirituous intoxicating and Malt liquors within the limits of the Town of Portsmouth namely

Wholesale Liquor License.

Company, Old Colony Brewing, Rudolph F. Haffenreffer, Jr., Treasurer, a Rhode Island Corporation, in a building located on dock formerly owned by Fall River, Newport and Providence Steamboat Co. at Bristol Ferry, now owned by Portsmouth Realty Co.

Retail Liquor License.

Macomber Harvey, Jr., Highland Cottage, Park Road.

The Town Council of the Town of Portsmouth will be in session at the Town Hall in said Town of Portsmouth on Wednesday, Dec. 30, at 7:30 o'clock P. M. When opportunity will be given remonstrants to be heard before acting upon said application. All bonds must be filed before the first hearing.

GEORGE R. HICKS, Clerk
Town Council of the Town of Portsmouth.

New Designs in

Ladies' Gold Brooches,

Signet Rings, Bracelets,

Hat Pins, etc.

Ladies' Gold and Gold Filled Waltham Watches.

Compare our Prices.

GLAZIER'S, 96 Spring St.

NATIONAL EXCHANGE BANK.

Newport, R. I. Dec. 21, 1908.

The usual Semi-Annual Dividend at the rate of 8 per cent per annum will be paid to the Stockholders January 2, 1909.

GEORGE H. PROUD, Cashier

Island Savings Bank.

Newport, R. I. Dec. 21, 1908.

The usual Semi-Annual Dividend at the rate of 4 per cent per annum will be paid to the Depositors on and after January 15, 1909.

GEORGE H. PROUD, Treasurer

NATIONAL EXCHANGE BANK.

Newport, R. I., Dec. 14, 1908.

The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of this Bank, for the election of Directors, and for such other business that may legally come before said meeting will be held Tuesday, January 12, 1909, at 4 P. M.

GEORGE H. PROUD, Cashier

AQUIDNECK NATIONAL BANK.

Newport, R. I.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank for the choice of directors and for such other business that may legally come before it, will be held at the banking room of said bank, on Tuesday, January 12, 1909, at eleven o'clock A. M.

THOS. B. TANGUY, Cashier.

UNION NATIONAL BANK.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank for the choice of directors and for such other business as may legally come before it, will be held at the banking room on Tuesday, January 12, 1909, at 10 o'clock A. M.

W. A. COGGESHALL, Cashier.
Newport, R. I., December 23, 1908.

CHRISTMAS IN NEWPORT.

Day to Be Observed Throughout City as a Full Holiday.

Government Stations to Celebrate with Usual Arrangements and Special Dinner.

As usual, Christmas day will be observed as a full holiday. No stores will be open that would not be open Sunday; that means that even the barrooms will be closed, but as they were closed last Christmas that will not be new. The postoffice will observe the regular holiday hours, the money order, registry and stamp departments will be closed, no delivery of carriers' letters will be made from the general delivery, which will be open from 8 to 10 and from 5:30 to 8, and there will be one delivery by carrier.

No freight, except perishable for New York, will be received at the freight office on Long wharf, and no freight trains will run in or out.

At the Torpedo Station, the Training Station, Fort Adams and other government stations there will be the usual holiday arrangements, with a special holiday dinner. Perhaps the bill of fare prepared for the Torpedo Station by Commissary Steward O'Leary will give a civilian some idea of what a naval holiday means is. Here it is, devoid of its Santa Claus accessories.

Naval Torpedo Station, Newport, R. I.
Officers.
Lieutenant Commander Mark L. Bristol, Commanding.
Executive Officer, Lieutenant Commander Thomas J. Senn, Paymaster Guy J. Pyffe.
Christmas Menu, 1908.
Breakfast.
Fried Hens and Eggs.
Lyonnaise Potatoes.
Hot Rolls. Bread. Butter. Coffee
Dinner.
Oysters on the Half Shell.
Meats.
Roast Turkey. Chestnut Dressing.
Boiled Ham. Roast Loin Pork.
Sauces.
Cranberry Sauce. Giblet Sauce.
Chicken Salad. Sweet Corn. Green Peas. Creamed Potatoes.
Relishes.
Sweet Pickles. Chow-Chow. Queen Olives. Celery. Radishes.
Dessert.
Plum Pudding. Brandy Sauce.
Mince Pie. Neapolitan Ice Cream.
Fruits.
Apples, Oranges, Bananas, Mixed Nuts
Coffee. Bread Butter Cheese. Crackers.
Cigars.
Supper.
Cold Roast Pork. Cold Ham. Pigs' Feet. Salmon.
Potato Salad. Celery. Pickles.
Bread. Butter. Jelly Rolls. Tea.

Commissary Steward—D. O'Leary.
Cooks—R. T. Wright; G. McFaddin, V. Howard.

It will be seen that there is very little lacking. If it is not a Christmas tree and if things are not right every one knows where to blame, for even the Cooks' names are there. It is safe to say there will be no occasion for blaming any one.

CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENTS.

Mt. Zion and Pope Children Have Trees; St. Mary's Celebrates Pastor's Anniversary.

The Sunday School of the Mt. Zion African Methodist Episcopal Church had it's Christmas entertainment Wednesday evening. There was an entertainment, consisting of recitations by Margaret DeWolf, Rose Butler, Ella Miner, Benjamin Brown and Edith Sheffield, songs by the school and by the Sheffield children, Ethel Jenkins, Grace Brown and Edith Sheffield and a duet by Benjamin Brown and Harry Dulles. After the last number had been sung Santa Claus appeared, in the person of Mr. Edward Richards, and distributed the gifts from a prettily decorated and heavily-laden tree, which had been watched with interest during the evening. After the presents had been given out ice cream and cake were served.

The pupils of St. Mary's Academy and parochial school held their Christmas entertainment Wednesday afternoon at St. Mary's hall, which was crowded. There were innumerable presents, appropriate musical selections and literary exercises, and all present had a genuine Christmas entertainment, with the "Spirit and with the understanding also." It was in the nature of a hearty reception to the popular pastor, Rev. W. H. Meenan, in honor of the thirtieth anniversary of his priesthood and his tenth anniversary as pastor of St. Mary's church. A pleasing feature was the presentation of 30 bouquets to the pastor by as many girls, who made an appropriate address. Father Meenan was deeply affected.

The school orchestra, in uniform, gave a popular concert, with the latest songs of the day. The participants in the literary and musical program included Misses Florence Hull, Lizzie Alexander, Gertrude Gillis, Margaret Flynn, Annie Sullivan, Catherine McLoughlin, Catherine Leddy, Mary McMahon, Polly Murphy, May Fagan, Josephine Cummings and Margaret Flynn, and John O'Brien, Joseph Donohue. Brief remarks were made by Father Meenan and his assistants, Fathers Reddy and Tierney, all of whom were cheered to the echo by the scholars and their parents.

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At half-past 4 o'clock this afternoon the children of the enlisted men at Fort Adams, numbering nearly 100, had their Christmas entertainment at the Post Exchange. A big tree, laden with presents, the gifts of Major Theodore Kane Gibbs, was provided, and candies were given by Mrs. DeLancey Kane. The program was in charge of Mrs. Howe, wife of the commanding officer, Colonel Walter Howe, and Miss Gibson, daughter of Surgeon Gibson.

STERLING LEAVES FOR CUBA.

Receives Unexpected Orders While Unloading Cargo of Coal at Bradford Station.

This afternoon government collier Sterling, which arrived at Bradford coaling station Tuesday with a large cargo of coal, was ordered to Cuba with her cargo, the order being received by Chief Boatswain's Mate John Walsh, in charge of the Station, work of unloading had begun when Mr. Walsh received the orders. It is believed in naval circles here that the coal is needed by the Maine and North Carolina, now in Cuban waters, having been sent there in connection with the Venezuelan troubles. The collier left for Cuba a few hours after the order was received.

STEAMERS ARRIVED.

Boston, Dec. 24, Ionian from Liverpool.

Boston, Dec. 24, Arcadia from Callao.

COLDEST OF THE SEASON.

Central New Hampshire Thermometers Reach 21 Below Zero.

ANDOVER, N. H., Dec. 24.—Intense cold prevailed throughout central New Hampshire early today, the mercury registering the lowest point of the season. In this town the temperature early in the day was 21 degrees below zero. The frosty weather was made more endurable, however by an entire absence of wind.

AUTOMOBILE BURNED UP.

F. W. Lawton's Machine Destroyed; Alarm Rung in to Have Help if Occasion Required.

At 5:13 o'clock Wednesday afternoon an alarm was rung in from box 46, Parker avenue and Annandale road, and there was no general rush to the scene. At that hour the climatic conditions were such that few save the firemen who really are firemen cared to be spectators to anything but a spectacular blaze, and there was no assurance that they were to have it in that alarm. Later—just ten minutes later—the recall justified those who did not go, for it showed that the fire was out. Inquiries developed the information that the alarm was caused by a burning automobile; also that it was a false alarm for an automobile on fire. It developed later that it was Mr. Frederick W. Lawton's automobile, of Society No. 4662, a 20-horse-power Stevens-Duryea, and it was burned up.

Knowing what terrible danger lurks in gasoline, even from a leaky pipe, the box was pulled in to have a fighting force of firemen on hand in case sudden developments might require them. As it was, the men at hand in the garage on Annandale road were able to cope with the little flame which sprung up, and by the time the fire apparatus arrived danger was over. Acting on the side of safety, by calling the firemen, the person responsible for the alarm has to stand the brunt of having it said that he did it unnecessarily, but some people are satisfied to feel that they have erred on the side of safety.

THE MYRTLE—HARDER COMPANY.

The Myrtle-Harder Company, which will play an engagement here next week, is the first repertoire company to secure the right of "The Burglar and the Lady," which is played by three high-priced attractions this season in the larger cities. Mr. Harder endeavors to give the public just what it wants, and in "The Burglar and the Lady" he has the play which will please the most exacting audience. "Crown of Thorns," "Queen of the Bowery," "On the Frontier," "The Girl Patsy," "American Gentlemen," "A Fight for Wealth" and "The Artist's Model and the Man," to these plays Miss Myrtle has a line of strong parts and the supporting company is said to be better than ever.

NEWPORT THEATRE GOERS SHOULD BE PROTECTED.

To the Editor of the Daily News:

Dear Sir: The burning of the Herald Square Theatre reminds us of the great danger in this Christmas season for those who have a taste for the theatre. It is terrible to think of the risk of life every time the Newport Opera House is opened. After the scare lately, when "The Thief" was being given, the writer has heard many thinking people say that they will never go to that theatre until it is properly provided with exits and means of escape in case of a fire or a panic. But what of the careless and unthinking majority?

I am told that there are laws to protect theatre-goers, that there are authorities whose duty it is to enforce these laws. Why do they wait? Must Newport wait for a terrible loss of life, such as Chicago experienced in the burning of the Iroquois, before a properly constructed theatre is opened? The people of Newport are good patrons of the theatre. Every seat is sold when a good play comes our way. We deserve a safe place to take our evening's amusement in, a place to which we dare invite our friends to go with us when they come to us for a winter's visit.

Yours respectfully,
Jane P. Swan.

Newport, Dec. 24, 1908.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

—Government Inspectors Wilcox and Potter today re-inspected steamer J. A. Saunders.

—Dr. Horace P. Beck has gone to Wilkesbarre, Pa., for the holidays to visit relatives.

—According to the dealers, there are plenty of turkeys for the trade, and the trade is good, and the turkeys are good.

—The wind has shifted to the southwest, and weather conditions are entirely different from what they were yesterday. This feels like a spring day in comparison.

—The repair shops of the New England Navigation Company close this afternoon until Monday. This will give the men who wish to make a visit a chance to do so.

—Mrs. David Stevens and Miss Katharine M. Stevens have gone to New Haven to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Corbin. Miss Stevens will go later to New York.

—Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Sedgwick have gone to Fanwood, N. J., for Christmas.

—A number of the graves in the Island cemetery, and especially those of former summer residents, are covered with holly.

—On account of the storm yesterday, steamer New Shoreham did not leave Block Island. She came over early this morning with 25 barrels of fish, and returned this afternoon from Providence, with a number of Christmas shoppers.

—The report comes from New York that, following a bad night and a day in which he suffered much pain, Dr. William T. Bull was Tuesday night much exhausted, and that yesterday his condition was less encouraging than it had been for several weeks.

—Caesar Pinard and wife have sold to Robert Hunnick two lots, Nos. 26 and 27, in the Pinard land, bounded westerly, 107 feet, on Annandale road; northerly, 100 feet, on a way; easterly, 98 feet, on other lands of the grantor, and southerly, 100 feet, on land of D. H. Fearing.

—The members of the "Rare Old Birds" presented Physical Director Frank Caswell of the Young Men's Christian Association with a bath robe last evening, in appreciation of the work he has done for that organization this year. The presentation was made by President Harold P. Arnold.

—The Milne Printery had issued a calendar for 1909 which will be found serviceable for house or office use. It is printed in large figures and has, in addition to the dates, the phases of the moon and a fire alarm card. The Milne Printery has also issued a pocket fire alarm card and calendar.

THERE ARE NOT ENOUGH REGULARS.

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length on the bad effect of young and inexperienced commanders, upon whom responsibility falls in the absence of superior officers.

General Bell says it is a discouraging fact that in case of a sudden outbreak of hostilities with a first class nation there are not sufficient regular troops in the country, even when enforced by the National Guard of the various states, to form an army after deducting the necessary force to provide a small garrison at our permanent posts and the necessary infantry supports for our seacoast fortifications."

The infantry arm is referred to as too rich numerically for the service required of it, even in time of peace. At present this General Bell says that since January 1, 1908, many regiments have spent more than half their time in a tropical climate, insufficient time, therefore, being allowed in the United States for the officers and men to recover from one tour of service abroad before another begins.

The cavalry arm is spoken of as an antiquated organization."

General Bell says that the field artillery should be increased, and the engineer corps is insufficient, both as the commissioned and the enlisted personnel, for the duty devolving upon it in time of peace.

The scarcity of engineer officers is due chiefly, General Bell says to increase in river and harbor work, fortifications and the construction of the Panama canal.

A compliment is paid to the signal corps for "great developments in scientific warfare." General Bell says the signal corps should receive a liberal appropriation to enable it to continue its experiments in aerial navigation.

The President's physical tests for officers are praised as having produced an increased interest in physical culture and the general care of health among officers. General Bell adds that some test and some physical examination have come to stay as a part of the American military system.

Increased pay for the army lies had the effect, General Bell regrets, of reducing the number of vacancies in the enlisted force and of obtaining a better list of non-commissioned officers.

SECOND RAID EXPECTED.

Twenty-two Warrants Said to Be Out for Pittsburg Graft Arrests.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 24.—Talk of more arrests in the councilman "graft" case continues today, and rumors are current that a second raid will soon be made against councilmen and business men who are charged with corrupting the councils. The Voters' League is said to have prepared 22 warrants for these persons.

Already plans are on foot to give the nine defendants a court trial as soon as possible. It is believed that District Attorney Blakely, who has taken charge of the matter, will present the cases to the grand jury early next month, and by the latter part of February it is expected the court trials will be under way. It is probable that there will not be a councilmanic investigation of the scandal, the belief being that the council, as a body, should do nothing in the matter, pending action by the courts. According to a statement by a member of the Voters' League a number of prominent Pittsburgers have hurried to the front to offer assistance in making the clean-up complete.

It is recognized that the scandal will have a potent effect on the coming city election in February. Every faction of politics is stirred to the utmost, and a flood of denials are being made by prospective candidates that they were implicated, directly or indirectly, in the corruption.

OUTLOOK GOOD FOR NEW YEAR.

R. G. Dun Co. Report Holiday Trade Much Better Than Year Ago.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Despatches to R. G. Dun & Co. indicate that there is the usual quiet in most staple lines, while holiday trade is decidedly better than a year ago. Weather conditions in Boston have been favorable for business, which in many departments has equalled the best on record, with special improvements over last year's sales of jewelry and other expensive articles. Jobbers who have completed stock-taking report prospects bright for the new year.

Bank exchanges this week at all the leading cities in the United States are $2,515,891,718—only 2.7 per cent less than in the same week of 1907.

STATE WINS DOUBLE VICTORY

Receive Favor in Great Western and Great Northern Railway Tax Cases.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 24.—The state won a double victory in the Minnesota supreme court today, when that court rendered decisions in its favor in both the Chicago Great Western and Great Northern railways tax cases.

The court upholds the validity of the increasing of the railroad gross earning tax from 3 to 4 per cent, which the roads had attacked as unconstitutional, as their territorial charters provided for a tax of 3 per cent on gross earnings.

The Great Northern case nominally involves $120,738 for 1905 taxes; the Great Western case about $25,000. The amount at stake in the treasury, however, is really more than $150,000 a year. The case will be appealed to the Supreme Court of the United States undoubtedly.

Special Preparations Are Made to Make the Last Days an Avalanche of Christmas Business.

We have marked CHILDREN'S TABLES, CHAIRS AND ROCKERS at closeout prices.

BABY YARDS,
BABY TENDERS,
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BABY MUGS,
BREAD and MILK SETS.

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MAKE THE BOY HAPPY.

Give him a pair of our High Top

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Nearly every boy wants a pair. They will save many a cold.

Youths' Sizes, 13 to 2, $2.25.
Boys' Sizes, 3 to 6, $3.00.

B.F. Downing, 3d., 191 Thames St.

MARINE CORPS RESERVE.

Plan to Buy Long Island Land and Erect Buildings Which Will Cost About $500,000.

The officials of the marine corps are desirous of purchasing a 50-acre tract of land on Long Island, to be used as a marine corps reservation, the idea being to construct thereon barracks, officers' quarters and other buildings. The cost of the land and the buildings will be about $500,000. The necessity for acquiring this property is due to the Navy Department's decision to make use of land which the marine corps is now occupying in Brooklyn as barracks. This land is within the Brooklyn navy yard, and it is intended to erect thereon marine corps to be used in conjunction with the new drydock.

The place which the marine corps has in view is just above Hell Gate. The land is high and is under its old Indian title. The Navy Department contemplates keeping at the Brooklyn navy yard a force of about 300 marines, which will be known as a rotating guard. The headquarters of the marines will be at the new station, where they will hold their drills and exercises, and the guard will have periods of three or four days' duty at Brooklyn, during which time they will be on guard for two-hour stretches, with six hours off night and day. This will remove the men from the neighborhood of the Brooklyn navy yard, say the marine corps authorities, and they will have all the benefits of a large and well situated station at a distance.

The exact location desired is not quite known, for the reason that those who hold the ground would probably increase the price to the government and, in addition, the Navy Department would be bothered by real estate brokers.

CHRISTMAS AT ST. MARYS.

The following music will be rendered at St. Mary's Christmas Eve:

Processional, "The snow lay on the ground."
Sanctuary Choir.
Kyrie, Mozart's 12th Mass
Gloria, Mozart's 12 Mass
Credo, Herman Perlit
Offertory, "Ut Sacra Nox," A. Adams
Mr. T. E. Connolly and chorus.
Sanctus, Mozart's 12th Mass
Agnus Dei, Mozart's 12th Mass
Recessional, "Beneath the star-strewn heaven," Wilkinson
Sanctuary Choir.

Soloists—Misses Alice Donovan and Annie J. Littlefield, sopranos; Mrs. Kathryn Gire-Burkinshaw, contralto; Mr. John Maney, tenor; Mr. T. E. Connolly, baritone and Mr. John E. Leddy and Mr. John J. Butler, bassos. A. Comunetto, organist and director.

There will be no vespers on Christmas day, but Sunday the music will be repeated, with musical vespers in the evening at 7:30, assisted by Mr. Closkey's full orchestra. The program of the vespers is as follows:

Processional, "Beneath the star-strewn heaven," Wilkinson
Sanctuary Choir.
Domine, Gregorion
Dixit Dominus, E. Marzo.
Confitebor, Piske
Cantate Dominum, E. Bouichere
Laudate Dominum, Gregorian
Sanctuary Choir.
En Sacra Nox, A. Adam
Mr. T. E. Connolly and Chorus.
Alma Redemptoris, V. Hammerel
Mrs. Gire-Burkinshaw.
O'Salutaris, quet, J. Wiegand
Miss Alice Donovan and Mrs. Gire-Burkinshaw.
Tantum Ergo, L. T. Rossi
Holy God, Congregation
Recessional, "On this festal day."
Sanctuary Choir.
V. Hammerel
Papal hymn (new) Gams
Chorus.

JAMESTOWN.

[Regular Correspondence of the News.]

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. W. Clark of Fort Wright, Conn., are guests of Mr. Clark's father, Mr. T. H. Clark, on Narragansett avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Fuller of Providence are guests of Captain and Mrs. C. L. Champlin on Bryer avenue.

Messrs. Wilcox and Potter, inspectors of steam vessels in this district, were on the island today to inspect ferryls at J. A. Saunders.

Captain and Mrs. A. H. Champlin will leave tonight for New York, from which place they will leave next week to spend the winter in Florida.

Mr. I. H. Clarke is on a short trip to New York.

To close out this year's lot of the J. O. Thomas's

Virginia Hams.

Epicures claim these HAMS to be the most delicious of any cured. Selling at the extremely low price of

25c. per lb.

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CALNAGROSS CO. Mgrs.

Friday, Dec. 25.

Afternoon at 2:15.
Evening at 8:15.

Frank Holland Presents the Farce Comedy,

"Hello Bill."

Prices Matinee—25c., 35c., 50c.
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BUFFALO STEAK IN MARKET.

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[New York Evening Post.]

Sportsmen and epicures who could remember the day when a whole buffalo—skin and all—could be bought in New York for eight dollars are happy at the thought of making a Christmas dinner of buffalo steak, a delicacy which few if any New Yorkers have enjoyed in the last 25 or 30 years. Two fine specimens of the almost extinct king of the plains have arrived in the city. Strictly speaking, they have not altogether arrived; the skins and the two great fur-covered heads are here but the rest, the 1,500 pounds of meat, is somewhere between here and Cody, Wyoming.

The first instalment may be seen hanging from pegs outside of one of the large game markets on Washington street, where they are attracting so much attention from New Jersey commuters and other passers-by that the police have threatened to order the skins removed. The sidewalk and gutter in front of the place have been crowded with curious folk, who, at the risk of being late at their offices, have paused to gaze at the unusual sight.

The skins are, as a matter of fact, as perfect specimens as you could wish to see, and a small sign suspended from the nose of one of the dead animals, reading, "These skins for sale at $1,000 each," indicates their value in the opinion of the owner. Buffalo robes, nowadays, are not to be picked up in the streets.

For those who wish to partake of buffalo steak on Christmas day, the price of the meat will be dear. The dealer does not hesitate to say that it will bring as high as a dollar a pound, possibly more. As the average steak weighs six or seven pounds, it is safe to say that the man who includes this delicacy in his repast will deserve to be classed among the real epicures.

Had it not been for the fact that these two animals stirred up a lot of trouble in their lifetime at Cody, they might have been still going the rounds in a wild west show. But the law of the plains prescribes that the buffalo who, with bold disregard for the government's effort to preserve the species, persists in killing his fellow buffalo, shall himself be killed. These two suffered that fate.

They were members of Colonel William F. Cody's herd, who roamed about their reservation and were allowed to do just about as they pleased, barring, of course, buffalo murder. The man-killing buffalo was allowed to live unmolested. But the variety which sought to hasten the extinction of its own race was regarded as a menace.

Now, these two had a bad habit, of which none of the ranchmen were able to break them. They used to take delight in goring the cow buffalo to death. It was their favorite pastime. Whenever a cow buffalo was found to be missing, the ranchmen knew what was up, and they tried several mild methods of reform before they decided that the offenders were incorrigible. It was a simple case of bad breeding, and the ill-mannered buffaloes had to suffer the extreme penalty. They were corralled. Forthwith, and with due ceremony death was administered in good plain. Western fashion. It is said they took their medicine without a murmur or complaint, thus preserving the best tradition of wild west stories.

After the hide and the meat had parted company, they were shipped in a cold storage car to New York, and great was the rejoicing among the cow buffaloes of Cody, Wyoming. The skins are now hanging outside the market on Washington Street, with a wild boar from Hungaria occupying a place of honor between them. The wild boar is a rare sight, too, but he is quite overshadowed by the two buffaloes.

HORACE BIXBY AS A PILOT.

Clemens as a Pupil of Captain who Tells Stories and Answers Questions.

Horace E. Bixby, who, with his 82 years, is the oldest pilot on the Mississippi, is still at the wheel. For nearly 60 years he has piloted crafts on the Mississippi, Ohio, Missouri, Arkansas, and Red rivers. He served under Admiral Foote, who called him the best pilot that he had ever seen. He has been upon pleasure crafts, regular packets, government boats under all conditions, and is now at the wheel of the Horatio G. Wright, a snag boat working between St. Louis and New Orleans.

Captain Bixby has trained a host of pilots to follow the channels of the various streams. Among this number was Samuel L. Clemens, better known as "Mark Twain," who served a full apprenticeship with General Bixby and afterwards piloted in the Ohio river with his instructor.

"One of the first questions I asked Clemens when he wanted me to teach him to be a pilot was if he used tobacco," says Captain Bixby. "He didn't chew, but he was an inveterate smoker."

The cap'n didn't chew or smoke himself and was a little doubtful about accepting Clemens as a pupil because of this vice. The apprentice made good, however, and now his instructor says:

"Some people infer that Clemens was not a good pilot, but he was a first-class one. He adapted himself to the river from the start and was as good a pupil as I ever had under me. We made a bargain that he was to pay me $500 to teach him the river, $100 down and the rest in installments. I never did get the whole amount, but I did get $300. He paid me $100 when I took him with me and I didn't get any more until we were running a boat together some years later. At this time he paid me $100, and, as the Irishman says, 'I forgive him the debt,' but don't say anything about that—it's all right."

When Clemens became famous he caused a lot of trouble for Captain Bixby. A lot of reporters began bothering him for stories of Mark Twain and the captain told all the stories he knew a long time ago. Now when the reporters pester him for them he gets peevish. "I wish Clemens was dead, then maybe you fellows would let me alone," he says.

Bixby's pride is not that he was once Mark Twain's boss, but that he was pilot of the Benton, the flag steamer of the Iron Clad Fleet, during the Civil war, and that he was chief or confidential pilot for Admiral Foote. He says that he brought on the battle of Memphis, in which Admiral Foote destroyed the fleet of Admiral Elliott for the Confederacy.

Twelve years ago last Christmas Captain Bixby was put on the snag boat Horatio G. Wright and has been acting as pilot on that boat since that time, living in St. Louis with his wife, children and grandchildren.

Captain Bixby says he never [illegible] [illegible] boys to be pilots. "It's getting to be [illegible] job with no money in it. There was a time when they paid $250 [illegible], then they dropped to $150 and finally to $100, except on the [illegible]," he says.

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TO VISIT PANAMA.

Many Members of Congress to Go to Isthmus During Holidays.

Office Honored—Seeks to Retain Seat—Few Contests—Bill for Purchase of Lincoln House.

[Washington correspondence of the News.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—During the Christmas holidays many of the Senators and Representatives will visit Panama. Some go there because they are members of committees having to do with matters affecting the big ditch Uncle Sam is trying to dig and which he hopes to complete some time within the next 10 years. Others got the opportunity to make the trip either at trifling or government expense. It's a nice chance to take a rest, and the sea voyage is pronounced delightful. Railroad passes having become a relic of the past, it makes a big difference to the statesmen in traveling. Formerly, with but few exceptions, Senators and Representatives had only to ask and they procured all the railroad transportation they desired, their families included and others thrown in for good measure. Now they have to go down in their pockets and work out the cold cash. That is why so many tell you they are too busy to leave Washington during the recess. Those living in remote states do not go to their homes unless something of unusual importance requires them to make the trip.

John Sharp Williams, former Democratic leader of the House, is troubled considerably with deafness. Bob Bowman, Jr., his secretary, has the same ailment. A negro messenger assigned to the minority room is also worse off in this respect than the other two. Indeed, the darky is quite deaf. At times they have to "holler" at each other in pretty loud tones if all three manage to hear what is being talked about. Mr. Williams has been so busy for the past 10 years he has not had time to have his ears treated properly. He proposes during the next two years, when he will be a private citizen, to have them looked after.

At a dinner here not many days ago, at which President Roosevelt was the star guest, the chairman announced a toast to be drunk standing to the head of the nation. A western Congressman, when he got up with his glass in his hand, said to a fellow member of the house, "I will drink to the office, but not to the man." This remark was heard by others at the table, and it naturally provoked some little discussion, but only loud enough for a few to hear what was said. One Congressman said that, no matter what might be thought of Mr. Roosevelt in the large cities, he was so strong among the country people that the Republican Congressmen out in the west who dared oppose him at the last election would have gone down to defeat. The city member who had declined to "drink to the man" had to admit that with the everyday citizens of the big cities the President was just as popular, perhaps, but he insisted that the men of affairs, as he calls them, were against him and will be glad when he leaves the White House and starts for Africa to shoot lions and tigers.

Representative Pete Hepburn of Iowa has served notice of contest upon his Democratic rival, who managed to beat him by several hundred votes on the face of the returns at the recent election. There are no charges of fraud or misconduct. Colonel Hepburn merely insists that irregularities and the acceptance of certain ballots by the judges brought about his supposed defeat, and if the elections committee of the House will only straighten things out the veteran legislator is of the opinion that it will place him in the seat instead of Democratic Mr. Jamieson, who will be sworn in when Congress meets in extra session next March.

No contests have been decided in this Congress and probably none will be this session, according to the outlook. Three negro contestants are trying to get the seats of South Carolina Democrats. The elections committee however, does not seem to think enough of the cases to take any action. During the Fifty-first congress, when Mr. Reed of Maine was speaker, there were more than 20 contests, and many Democrats were turned out and Republicans put in. Along about that era each party worked partisanship heavily, but in the two succeeding Congresses the Democrats got to be fair in these matters—they had unseated many a Republican previously, just as the Republicans had made it serious for Democrats—and ever since there has been a tendency in the House to do th right thing, the result being that the number of contests is dwindling with each succeeding Congress.

A bill to purchase the house in Washington in which President Lincoln died is again being pressed, the appropriation asked for being $125,000. If the government buys the property 2,000 relics go with it. This old fashioned residence is located opposite the building used during the war as Ford's theatre, in which Mr. Lincoln was shot by Booth. Thousands of people visit the ancient mansion during the year.

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LOCAL BRIEFS.

—Mr. R. G. Hone has returned from New York.

—Miss Adelaide C. Fadden went to New York last night for the holidays.

—Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Carr are spending a few days at the Hotel Astor, New York.

—Miss Winterhoff of New York is guest of Mrs. W. N. Eldridge and Miss Neill.

—Louis C. Neff of New York is visiting his mother, Mrs. Adam Neff, on Broadway.

—Mr. Louis R. Chase is home for Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George H. Chase.

—Dr. and Mrs. William Speers of Fall River are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Speers, on Malbone road.

—Miss Elizabeth G. Stedman is spending the holidays with her sister, Mrs. S. A. Gardner, in New London.

—Hon. Robert C. Cottrell announces the engagement of his eldest daughter, Harriet Nowell Cottrell, to Mr. Ralph R. Barker, Jr.

—Miss Edith A. Barker, supervisor of drawing in the public schools, is spending the Christmas vacation at her home in Townsend, Mass.

—Misses Barbara Peckham, Rosie Swartz, Rowena McCarthy and Ella Sanford of the Rhode Island State Normal school are spending the holidays with their parents.

Thomas P. Conroy, a soldier from Fort Adams, was fined $5 and costs today for assaulting Charles A. Carr, who [illegible] two sailors, W. Davidson and Daniel Tynan, for reveling.

NO NEWS OF STICKELSTAD.

One Month Since Norwegian Steamer Left Glasgow for Sydney.

SYDNEY, Nova Scotia, Dec. 22.—With the passing today of an even month since Norwegian steamer Stickelstad left Glasgow, Scotland, for this port, the marine interested in the vessel gave up nearly all hope of ever again seeing her steam under her own power. It is generally believed that the steamer went down with all on board during the terrific gales of early December, although she may have gone down earlier, as departure was made from Glasgow November 21. Ordinarily the passage across occupies a week.

Additional fear was lent to the absence of the Stickelstad when steamer Falso, also from Glasgow, arrived here several days ago, after a rough passage of 23 days from the Scotch port. It was believed up to that time that either one of the steamers might have met with a mishap and was being convoyed into port by the other, but Captain Hansen of the Falso stated that he had not received any tidings from the Stickelstad since that vessel left Glasgow, four days in advance of him. The missing steamer carried 300 tons of coal less than the Falso, and as the latter steamer had but three tons left when she arrived here it is certain that should the Stickelstad have survived the gales the captain and crew are now in serious straits to provide fuel for the navigation of their vessel.

DYING THE HAIR.

The vanity of human nature has always been the same, and in antiquity, even as today, the hair began to turn gray with advancing age. Then, in ancient Rome, they recurred to the hulls of green walnuts which, says Tibullus, served to conceal the ravages of many years. They also employed herbs of Germany for this purpose. "Women," says Ovid, "dye their white hair with the juice of herbs from Germany, which gives the hair a more fashionable color than it has by nature."

But also men recurred to this fashion. Especially in Rome were numerous instances of old men that dyed their white hair black, so as have a youthful appearance. Such a dotard was the epicurean Laectinus. Referring to the hair metamorphosis so often practiced by him, Martial thus addressed him, "Laethus, you dye your hair, wishing to make people believe that you are still a youth. Only a moment ago you were a swan, and now, in a trice, you appear as a raven."

The fashion with regard to the favorite color of the hair varied among various nations. The Hebrews, at the time of Jesus, held the red color in high esteem, and it is probably on this account that the Savior is generally represented, with long reddish, blond hair. Mary Magdalen seems also to have possessed this kind of beauty; for the painters that reproduced her picture have always adorned her head with luxuriant auburn hair. Blond was also the fashionable color of the Romans. Poppaea, Nero's second wife, always covered her hair with gold powder before appearing before her master.

The Italian painters of the sixteenth century, and among them also Titian, represent the women in their paintings with blond hair. People visiting Italy have often wondered why the blond or auburn hair, so abundant at Venice at the epoch of those artists, has become so rare today; for neither in Venice nor Rome nor Naples is indigenous blond found that this phenomenon is due to the custom prevalent among the Italian women of the sixteenth century of dyeing their hair.

With the Chinese and Japanese the preferred color of the hair is, and always has been, black, and dyeing is a universal custom.

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Committee of 15 Shows Preferance for Attorney General William B. Greenough.

The members of the Rhode Island bar, in their expressions of opinion to the committee of 15, have shown a distinct opposition of Elmer J. Rathbun and a preference for Attorney General William B. Greenough and John S. Murdock for a position upon the superior court bench.

The committee held a long session yesterday afternoon and considered the tabulation of opinions received. Although the committee will make its formal report to the Bar Association at a meeting to be held some day next week, the publication of the statement in an evening paper that Judge Elmer J. Rathbun led in the balloting influenced it to make public the fact that Attorney Generall Greenough received 153 votes, John S. Murdock 75 votes and Elmer J. Rathbun 67 votes.

Substantial votes were also received for Chester W. Barrows, Referee in Bankruptcy; B. S. Blaisdell, clerk of the supreme court; Judge Frederick Rueckert and Judge Christopher M. Lee. Votes were also received for certain members of the committee who deem themselves ineligible.

The committee of 15 comprises the following members: Nathan W. Littlefield, Stephen O. Edwards, Frank L. Hinckley, Richard E. Lyman, Frank W. Tillinghast, Cyrus M. Van Slyck, Richard B. Comstock, John Daran, Dexter B. Potter, William P. Sheffield, James A. Pirce, William R. Tillinghast, James C. Collins, Jr., George R. Huddy, Jr., and William A. Morgan, ex-officio.

It is declared that the expressions from the members of the bar which were favorable to Attorney General Greenough, Mr. Murdock and all except Judge Rathbun were spontaneous. Thomas Z. Lee of Barney & Lee has been active in behalf of Judge Rathbun, who is the only candidate who has been self-seeking. It is understood that a large number of votes received for Judge Rathbun came from Democrats and that few influential men in the bar favor his candidacy.

Many accompanied their expressions of preference with statements declaring it to be their belief that Judge Rathbun is unfit for election to the superior court bench, whereas there were no criticisms of any of the other candidates.

DANGER TO THE TARIFF WALL.

Totters Under Impact of Public Opinion and Taft Wants Free Trade Doctrine.

[New York Times.]

The Gatun Dam, which tumbled in the other day—the engineers with great presence of mind and much plausibility explained that they had expected it to fall in, and that, in fact, it is a nice thing for a dam to fall in, since the debris make a good foundation—the Gatun Dam, we say, is in a position of unconquerable stability compared with our protective tariff wall, which visibly totters under the impact of public opinion, and is being rapidly undermined by swift currents of strange new opinion directed against its supporting strata by those who were formerly its vigilant guardians and defenders. When Mr. Taft, the Republican President-elect, and our neighbor the Tribune, founded and long edited by that able arch-protectionist Horace Greeley, unite in demanding a revision of the tariff that shall no longer fool the people, but shall protect them from extortion; unite in demanding, we may say, a fair and just measure of protection, it must be evident to the least observant minds that we have entered upon a new era, and that momentous changes impend.

Mr. Taft in his speech proclaimed as the fundamental principle of revision the fixing of duties that should represent the difference between cost of production abroad and cost of production here, reasonable profits or interest on capital being in both cases reckoned as a part of production cost. The Tribune accepts this principle, and declares that "there must be an honest effort to find out exactly what protection American industries need, and give them just that degree of protection, no more and no less"; for where the present rates exceed the difference between production cost abroad and here plus a reasonable profit, "they give an opportunity, as Mr. Taft said, to make 'an excess above the just profit' and they should be cut accordingly." We quote further from the Tribune's comment upon the Taft doctrine:

The people who voted for Mr. Taft will undoubtedly approve tariff revision in that spirit. They want the schedules revised in the interest of the country at large and not in the interests of their beneficiaries alone. They are with Mr. Taft when he says that it is better to have a revision than one which leaves to the hands of protected manufacturers the possibility of demanding what he calls "an excess above a just profit," which affects the consumer on the form of an overcharge for the product. Foreign competition should be invited just at the point where the producer, paying the higher cost of producing in this country such commodities as it costs more to produce here can obtain a fair and reasonable profit. Below that point foreign competition should be excluded; above that point it should, if possible, be secured.

We hope the Tribune and our protectionist friends understand that in respect to many commodities Mr. Taft made a free trade speech. We can interpret it in no other way. Of course, where production cost abroad is below production cost here, reasonable profits being included in both cases, the principle set forth by Mr. Taft would call for a duty. But where we produce at a cost lower than the foreign figures his principle calls for no duty, it admits of none, since none is necessary to assure profit to the American manufacturer, and the imposition of one would give the opportunity for that "excess above the just profit" which would constitute an extortion.

The Tribune expressly accepts this doctrine and its application. The people are with Mr. Taft, it says, in insisting upon a revision that shall give no opportunity to the manufacturer to secure excessive profits through an overcharge for the product. It is now desirable for our neighbor to declare that the point where the American producer can obtain fair and reasonable profit" is the point where "foreign competition should be invited." The Dingley tariff invites no competition. The professed object of its authors was to exclude foreign goods to shut out foreign competition. Now we come to the authoritative proclamation of the principle accepted by Mr. McKinley, the principle propounded by Mr. Cleveland in his tariff message of 1887, which has been held to be the chief cause of his defeat the following year, the principle that the interests of the people must be taken into account and that the consumer is no longer to be considered a being without any rights which Congress is called upon to respect. Mr. Taft says that it is the duty of the ways and means committee, it is true duty of Congress, to look out for the interests of the consumer who in the nature of things cannot be effectively represented at tariff hearings.

10,000 POUNDS OF POWDER EXPLODE.

Towns Twenty Miles Distant Feel Distinct Shock.

Third Accident in One Month at South Acton Mills.

SOUTH ACTON, Mass., Dec. 24.—The third explosion within a month at the plant of the American Powder Mills Company here occurred early today, when about 10,000 pounds of powder were discharged from an unknown cause, wrecking the glaze mill in which it was stored, and damaging surrounding structures. No loss of life resulted. It is estimated that the total damage, including the destruction of the building and powder, will not exceed $20,000.

The effects of the shock were experienced within a radius of three miles in the shape of violent rumblings, which caused the breaking of windows and bric-a-brac, and in some cases ceilings caved in. Boston and other cities and towns more than 20 miles distant reported a shock of ten seconds' duration. This was plainly noticed at the Harvard College Observatory in Cambridge, where it was recorded at 6:46 a. m.

The past month has been a most disastrous one at the American Powder Mills plant, two lives being lost in an explosion several weeks ago, which also destroyed one of the company's mills, and still another mill having been wrecked shortly before that.

The loss of life in the second explosion was the first which had been experienced in any of the explosions at the plant within the past 16 years, although the summer months are usually marked by several ignitions of powder, with accompanying destruction to the mills.

The shock was easily the most terrific of any which has marked recent explosions at the plant. The powder which was discharged was in the last stages of manufacture, the glaze mill being one of the last of the nearly a score of buildings through which it is passed before being packed for the market. It was in such a mill that the second explosion occurred, although the quantity of powder discharged was much less.

No person is known to have been in or near the glaze mill when the explosion occurred this morning, the night watchman having left there three-quarters of an hour before he was warned of the accident by a deep rumbling and a terrific shaking of the earth. As in most cases when explosions have occurred in the powder mills, no cause for the discharge of the powder is known. It is supposed, however, that over-heated machinery may have heated particles of powder to too great an extent.

FELT IN LOWELL.

Explosion Shakes Houses and Windows Severely for Several Seconds.

LOWELL, Mass., Dec. 24.—The force of the Acton explosion was felt here, shortly after 6 o'clock this morning, houses and windows being shaken severely for several seconds. The popular belief at the time was that this section of the state had been visited by an earthquake. No damage is reported, except in the case of a few small windows which were shattered.

SHOCK 40 MILES AWAY.

Explosion of Powder at South Acton Felt at a Great Distance.

BOSTON, Dec. 24.—The explosion of 10,000 pounds of powder at South Acton today was felt for a distance of at least 40 miles, and was the heaviest explosion of its kind since that at Lowell, Mass., July 24, 1906, when a magazine of the American Cartridge Company went up in the air and killed nearly a dozen people.

The frozen ground undoubtedly was a contributing factor in making the explosion felt for such a distance and it was a singular fact that the jar was felt rather in a southeasterly direction than at many other points of the compass. The explosion was distinctly felt in Scituate, 40 miles southeast from Acton, and, in fact, all over Norfolk and a part of Plymouth counties. It did not seem to be as noticeable to the west and north, although the jar was felt in West Boylston and in southern New Hampshire. The explosion at Lowell in 1903 was probably much heavier, for its effect was felt more than 50 miles away, despite the soft nature of the surface of the earth at that time, it being midsummer.

It is probable that several million people heard the South Acton explosion today, and for a few hours during the forenoon every newspaper office in eastern Massachusetts was besieged with inquiries as to its nature.

BRIDGE TO SPAN HELL GATE.

The Arch to be 1,000 Feet Long—Crown to be 300 Feet Above River Surface.

After the Pennsylvania Railroad has advanced farther with its terminal station and other improvements in New York, work will be started on a bridge from Port Moreys, a suburb of the city to Queens County, Long Island. The bridge, as planned, in many respects, is one of the most daring and remarkable engineering structures ever proposed. With the approaches it will be three miles long, and span the Hell Gate ship channel with an enormous arch 1,000 feet in the clear. The entire bridge, except the piers for the arch, will be of steel, having an estimated weight of 50,000 tons.

The novel feature of the plans is that the train floor of the bridge, instead of resting on the crown of the arch, is hung from it. The crown is 300 feet above the water and the floor 140 feet, enabling the largest steamers to pass under with ease. The bridge will have four tracks, two for passenger trains and two for freight, and is designed for live loads on each of the tracks of two 150-ton locomotives, followed by a uniform load of 5,000 pounds per linear foot. The floor carried by the arch will have deep girders under the tracks and cross beams at the posts interlaced with diagonal bracing.

The main arch is to be flanked by piers from which will rise double towers 200 feet high. The towers will be of massive proportions with the lower portion of granite and the upper of concrete. The main body of the piers will be filled with earth and stone to provide sufficient weight to counteract the thrust of the arch. Expansion and contraction of the structural work due to changes in the weather had to be taken care of. By carefully arranging the members of the arch the movement at the crown is only a few inches, while in the track floor the special expansion joints are fitted that prevent the floor from moving under the action of a train starting or stopping on the bridge.

THE BACCHANTE BOYS.

Only Twenty of These Singers Left and These Sing Each Year to the Emperor.

[St. Nicholas.]

Hundreds of years ago the streets of Jena and other German towns used to echo to the songs of black-robed monks, who went from door to door singing and begging alms. Their example was followed by bands of poor students, known as Bacchantes. These Bacchantes wandered from one university to another in search of better instruction or better means of support. Such a wandering life was favored by the customs of times when people thought it was a virtue to give freely to all persons seeking help but especially to monks and students.

The Bacchantes had with them younger traveling scholars, known as skirmishers, who were to receive instruction in return for certain services. The younger skirmishers had to wait upon his Bacchante, beg, and even steal for him, and for the most part he was very tyrannically used. But as he was a waif without other protection, he had to make the best of matters.

After the reformation in many places these orphan boys, or waifs, were banded into organized choirs, who received pay from churches, but also were assisted by private subscriptions. It was their duty to sing not only in churches, but before the houses of their patrons as well. Thus they ceased to be beggars. Martin Luther himself as a boy had been one of these singers, and it was largely due to his influence that the old custom of begging entirely passed away. There is a famous picture of Luther as a singing boy in Eisenach where his song attracted the attention of the good Frau Cotta, who adopted and educated him.

Nowadays the old custom of the choir boys' singing from house to house is fading away. There are only five other towns besides Jena in the whole German empire where this music can be heard. Once each year the singing boys go to Eisenach and sing before the emperor in the great hall of the historic castle of the Wartburg, where the Minnesingers held their music battles.

There are just 20 of the Jena singing boys; five each of the ages 11, 12, 13 and 14 years. They are orphans, and the only qualifications for the privilege of four years' board and schooling are good character, ability to sing and obedience to the laws of the organization, one of which requires them to sing before the houses of their patrons.

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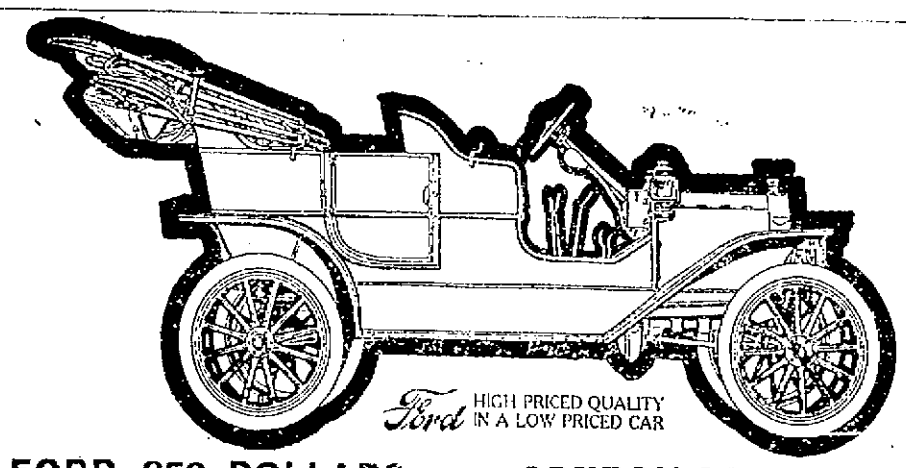
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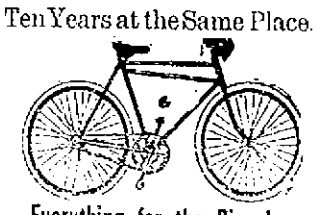
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JENNIE TESTER'S GIFT.

Christmas Story Read at the First Methodist Episcopal Church by Rev. Joseph Cooper.

"Nurse, what do you think would be the best Christmas gift to give to any one?"

It was Jennie Tester who spoke. She was a little ten-year-old girl, with laughing blue eyes and fluffy golden hair. Her father was a rich merchant who could buy almost anything that Jennie could wish. She was sitting on a low stool at the feet of her nurse, a woman of 40, who was stitching together some clothes for a huge specimen of the doll tribe that lay on the table.

"That which has the most love in it," said Nurse Styles, looking with kind eyes at the little girl.

"But you cannot buy love to give away, can you, nursie?"

"No, my dear; love cannot be bought and sold, but you have a little heart full of it somewhere, and you can give it away to other folks if you choose."

"But, Nursie, how can we give it away with our gifts?" inquired Jennie quite tangled up in her mind.

"Love is shown in what we give and the sacrifice we make to give it."

"What does that big word 'sacrifice' mean?"

"Why, it means giving to some one else what you want yourself very much or what will cost you very much to give away."

"Oh, dear, is that what it means?" said Jennie, thoughtfully.

Nurse rose to look after her work. Jennie sat and thought of what had been said. She wondered what it was she loved the most and wondered still more if she ought to give it away.

At the back of Jennie's home was a long, dirty lane, that led down to the river's edge, where several poor houses stood, containing people in blackest poverty. Let us peep into one of these homes. The front door opens into a small kitchen. Facing you against the wall is a crazy lounge, upon which lies a man in middle life, evidently an invalid. He was ill dressed, ill fed and ill favored. In a chair, with ragged apron up to her eyes, was a woman whose pale face and miserable dress spoke of long continued distress. Kneeling at her side was a girl of nine. She was a thin, bony little creature. Her face was wolfish in its hungry sharpness. Large eyes stood out from sunken cheeks, uncombed hair hung matted around a bare neck. A ragged dress showed a wasted body underneath. Her feet had not a rag on them, but were as bare as the floor upon which they rested. Both mother and child, for such they were, silently sobbed in the cold room.

"Why, it's Christmas day," suddenly spoke the woman, "and hardly bread to give you, whatever shall we do?"

For a moment no one spoke. The father coughed consumptively, the mother fingered a large packet of common matches on the rude table where she leaned.

"All day long have I tried to sell these matches but no one would buy. Everybody was too busy to see me. God has surely forgotten us and all we can do is to freeze and starve."

"Polly, do not speak that way," said the sick man. "We mustn't despair. I cannot believe He will forsake us."

"I cannot help it," wailed the woman. "Here we are without fire, scarcely any bread or clothes. You are almost sick unto death. How can I believe or hope?"

The little girl stroked her mother's face lovingly; then, as if by a sudden inspiration, she said:

"Mamma, I'll go and sell the matches. They'll buy of me, I'm sure. Let me try."

The mother heart winced at the thought and bitterly rebelled.

"Oh, my dear, how can I let you go out in this dreadful cold? My Lord, help me." The mother broke into an agony of prayer.

The girl, however, had solved the question for herself. Putting on a brimless hat and snatching up the matches, she darted for the door. The afternoon was darkening, and a slight drizzle of snow fell noiselessly down. The child fled along the lane out into the crowded thoroughfares. She found a corner by a street lamp where she placed herself in safety from the crowd. Holding up the matches she cried out in childish treble, "Buy my matches, please. Only a cent a box, only a cent a box. Buy matches."

The first to buy was a kind-looking man who handed her a dime and asked for a box of matches.

"I haven't any change," said the girl.

"Never mind the change. Buy some candy with it." The man was gone.

Slowly the matches went and the little hand was getting full of coins. She almost forgot she was cold and hungry in the excitement of selling the matches. Presently, there passed a pleasant looking nurse with a well dressed girl, who chatted merrily as she danced along. We recognize our little friend, Jennie Tester. The nurse stopped with a sign of recognition, when she saw the match girl, and getting out her pocketbook she put a quarter into the little hand.

"Now, girlie, run home and warm your feet. Whatever are you doing here. Tell mamma I'll come and see her tomorrow."

The poor girl seemed to understand, so tucking the nearly empty box under her arm she made off home without a word.

"Who is that, Nurse," said Jennie.

"That is Lizzie Naylor, who lives in one of those wretched houses at the back lane. I'm afraid the father is dying of consumption and the mother has worked herself to skin and bone to get along. Poor Lizzie is their little girl, and why she was there I do not know. It is a black Christmas for them, I'm afraid."

When Jennie was put to bed that night she could not sleep. She saw her stockings hanging from the bedpost and she knew they would be full of good things on the morrow. By her side lay the great doll fully dressed, with its eyes closed as though in sleep. Jennie was thinking of the little match girl and the black Christmas. Jennie had been taught that God had sent His Son as our Christmas gift. She also thought of what nurse had said, "that the best Christmas gift was the one that had most love in it." She knew she loved that doll better than all her other playthings. If she was going to give anything away, it must be that. She raised herself in bed with lovelight beaming from her eyes and called Nurse Styles.

"Nursie, I can't sleep. I'm thinking of something I wanted to do. I want to give away my best doll."

"But Jennie, you surely cannot give that away, and to whom will you give it?"

"I want to give it to the little match girl and I wish to give it to her tonight, so that she will have something in the morning."

"But darling, it is late and cold and I hardly think mamma will let you go there at this time. But I will call her."

When nurse returned with mamma, Jennie had already begun to dress. Her mama tried to persuade her to let nurse take it, but Jennie thought the girl would be better pleased if she took it herself. Jennie, I am sorry to say, usually got her own way.

"Well, wrap her up carefully," said Mrs. Tester, "and hurry back."

Nurse and Jennie and the big doll wrapped carefully up under Jennie's coat went quickly out into the dark lane to the poor cottage of the match girl.

Before they get there let us peep inside. Lizzie had burst in upon them from selling the matches with a shout. Frozen through and through with the bitter cold, yet she forgot it all as she threw the money into her mother's lap.

"Count it, mamma, count it. Didn't I say I would sell them?"

The poor woman could hardly count the money for the tears that fell from her swollen eyes. She bent them on the table, where a smoky lamp lit up the kitchen with a ghostly smile. At length the money was counted. It amounted to 87 cents. Clasping the little one to her heart, she could only kiss her and sob.

The father spoke first. "God bless you, darling. Come and sit with me while mamma gets a few things from the store."

Putting a shawl over her head, the wife went out, presently returning bringing a bundle of chips and a few groceries. A small fire soon blazed in the stove and the kitchen grew more cheerful as it warmed under the heat. A cup of tea with bread and butter added the crowning comfort to this hour. The father was a Christian man and his eyes filled with tears of gratitude as he thought of the Master, who, though He was rich, yet for our sakes became poor, that we through His poverty might become rich.

"God bless my little girl! Polly, we must never despair again. I knew the Lord would be good to us."

Just then the church bells rang out a loud peal of gladness. Its distant music sang a song of cheer to those dreary ones.

"I wish we could get Lizzie a doll, John," said the wife, now a little calmed and comforted; "but we cannot. We must save a few cents for tomorrow. Perhaps another Christmas we shall be better off."

"Lizzie, who was spreading her hands over the stove and eating a slice of bread at the same time, looked up and exclaimed:

"Oh, mamma, I saw a whole window full of dollies as I went down the street. I wonder who will buy them all. Only rich people, I suppose. What a nice thing to be rich."

"Don't say any more, my darling. We must be thankful we have a little fire and food."

Just then a knock came to the door and before they could move it opened and in came Jennie Tester and her nurse. The Naylors were too surprised to speak. The nurse had seen the woman before, but knew little of their condition.

"Well, Mrs. Naylor, you are surprised to see us no doubt tonight. But Jennie saw your little girl selling matches today and she wishes to give her a christmas gift."

Jennie had espied Lizzie near the stove and had placed the beautiful doll in the arms of the wondering child. To the match girl it seemed like some fairy tale.

"Is it mine?" she asked Jennie.

"Yes, and I am glad to give it to you, although I love it more than anything else."

"Am I to keep it always?" Lizzie asked.

"Why, yes, always, if you want to."

"Don't you mind a bit?"

"Oh, yes, I mind, but I have other toys and I thought you would like this one."

"O, thank you very much. Mamma, look, look, this is to be my dolly. Isn't it very lovely."

"Very, very. How can I thank you enough?"

"Please, Mrs. Styles, you must tell Mrs. Tester how much I thank her for letting the little maid bring Lizzie this beautiful doll. I haven't money for bread, much less dolls."

Nurse had taken note of the needs of the family and had already drawn out a program for their help. Anybody who knew Nurse Styles knew that when she became interested in a family she would never rest until she had helped them to their feet again.

"Well, Mrs. Naylor, look for me tomorrow. I shall be down in the morning and we'll see what can be done. Now, Jennie, mamma will expect us home."

Lizzie edged up to Jennie, whose rosy face looked such a picture of health in contrast to the pinched features of her own, and said: "May I kiss you for this?"

"Why, yes, you silly little girl, if you want to," said Jennie, laughingly.

The poor child threw her arms around her benefactor and gave her a kiss that sounded like the breaking of a heart.

"Good night," was said, and the visitors departed.

The Naylors were filled with thankfulness to God and man. The mother's faith at once rose like the sunrise.

In her miserable crib lay Lizzie, fast asleep, with the big doll folded tight in her arms. A beautiful smile played around her mouth as though it was whispering to her in her dreams.

As the mother looked down upon the child a faint strain of Bible music was wafted to her heart. She remembered the prophet had said, "A little child shall lead them," and ashamed of her little faith she fell on her knees and asked God to forgive her and help her unbelief. At even tide the light had come and the heavens once more were full of stars.

In the Tester home another girlish face nestled under downy pillows wrapped in soft slumber. Mother and nurse spoke in whispers in a corner of the nursery of the sacrifice Jennie had made. It was resolved not to buy her another doll, but let her feel the loss she had made by her own kind heart.

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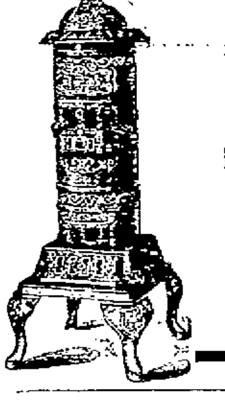
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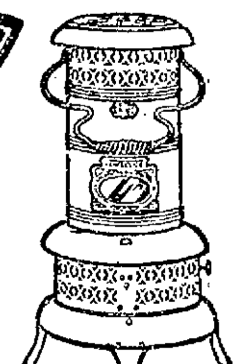
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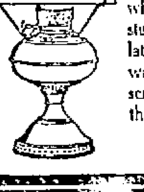


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McINTYRE CAUSES GREAT SENSATION.

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the name of Annis was not mentioned on the trip to the club house. Mr. McIntyre asked the witness if a Mr. Sanford had not called on him recently and said he had a mother and brothers to support, and didn't want to get into trouble.

Witness said he did.

"Didn't you say that they wanted you to testify that the Hains brothers asked for Annis, but you didn't want to, as you had a mother and brothers to support?"

"No."

Skura repeated that the testimony he had given in the trial was correct.

"When you told Mr. Young and Mr. Shay that the Hains brothers never asked for Annis, did you tell the truth?"

"No, I told an untruth."

The witness was badly confused about the statement he had made to Hains's counsel, and said that he had had so many lawyers at him, and so much was said, that he had told several stories.

"Is your story here the right one?"

"I have been thinking it over, and have it down good."

Justice Crane interrupted, and asked: "Was the story you told that the defendant told you not to get behind the stage, true or false?"

"It was false."

"Why did you tell them a false story?" asked Judge Crane.

"I thought the lawyers were reporters, and if I told the truth I would get in bad with Mr. Darrin."

"Well, now, Your Honor," said Mr. McIntyre, "I move that this witness be committed for perjury."

"I won't do it now," said Justice Crane, "in the midst of the examination. The district attorney will continue the examination."

Mr. McIntyre was not through with the witness, and continued his examination, "Did Mr. Young and Mr. Shay tell you they were newspaper reporters?"

"No."

Skura said he had talked with District Attorney Darrin and others of the prosecutor's office last Sunday.

"What was said by the district attorney?"

"He told me when I got on the stand to tell the truth, and look around sharp and see if I could identify the defendant."

Skura said that while in the court house Sunday with Mr. Darrin he met a laundryman named Smalled, and Mr. Andrews, one of the state's witnesses.

Skura's direct examination was commenced. He said Mr. Shay and Mr. Young did not tell him they were lawyers for Mr. Hains at the time he made the statement. He did not know that Mr. Young was a notary public—in fact, he did not know what a notary public is. He did tell them that Captain Hains was in a daze; he held his head down and his hands folded behind his back. He told Messrs. Shay and Young that there was no connection on the road, and that if "I told them the truth you would see it in the newspapers and get after me hard." In talks with the district attorney the witness said he had been told to tell the truth.

"Did you tell me Sunday why you did not identify the defendants?"

"I was a little scared. I looked round two or three times, but I did not see him. I saw him when I was leaving the stand."

Recess was then taken, with Skura on the stand.

REPUBLICAN GUARD SUMMONED.

Displeasure Voiced at New Examination System at Medical School.

PARIS, Dec. 24.—The inauguration today of a new system of examination at the medical school of the Sorbonne, which is objectionable to the students, was the occasion of serious manifestations. Two thousands students paraded the streets, voicing their displeasure. They broke windows in the school with stones, and showered the police with eggs, stones and sticks. Several persons, including several innocent bystanders, receiving injuries. The Republican guard was summoned and cleared the street. The students resumed their demonstrations for a short while, but they were finally conclusively dispersed with the aid of the police. The medical school has been closed by the authorities.

FLAW IN BIG LENS.

Mt. Wilson Observatory Work Will Be Delayed Many Months.

PASADENA, Cal., Dec. 24.—An unpleasant surprise greeted the authorities of Mt. Wilson solar observatory when the great 100-inch glass, the largest ever cast, was unwrapped from its packing. After the first grinding began a large flaw was found, so that the casting will have to be thrown away, and a new one made. This will delay for many months the construction of the eight foot reflecting mirror on the peak.

The casting of the great glass disks was done in Goblain, France, and the cost was $50,000. Dr. George E. Hale stated yesterday that arrangements for making another would be telegraphed at once to France. He believes that in time a perfect lens may be turned out, even of so great a size.

SUSPENDED FOR THREE YEARS.

W. H. Martin and F. W. Moorehead Removed from Stock Exchange.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—W. H. Martin and Thomas W. Moorehead, members of the firm of Marshall, Spader & Co., stock brokers, were suspended from the New York Stock Exchange today for three years. The suspension was understood to be the result of an investigation of the dealings of Marshall, Spader & Co., with the failed firm of Coster, Knapp & Co. It was announced that the suspended members were charged with "doing business in a manner inconsistent with just and equitable principles of trade."

The formal statement issued by the Stock Exchange sets forth that an investigation of the late firm of Coster, Knapp & Co. disclosed transactions between them and Marshall, Spader & Co. which caused the governors of the Stock Exchange to appoint a special committee of inquiry. This resulted in the charges of conduct and proceedings inconsistent with just and equitable principles of trade, on which the two members of Marshall Spader & Co. were tried and convicted yesterday. The firm of Marshall, Spader & Co. is widely known as a commission house.

A statement issued by the firm after the suspension was as follows:

"The government committee has disciplined the firm by depriving us the privileges of the exchange for a period of three years, on charges of violation of its rules. The action has nothing whatever to do with our financial responsibility. No fraud is charged. No one has suffered a loss."

In addition to the Stock Exchange, the firm holds membership in the Produce, Cotton Exchanges. It has branch offices in this city and Baltimore, Philadelphia, Chicago and Hot Springs, Va. It was organized in 1910.

MURDER IN SECOND DEGREE.

Durham White Stevens's Korean Assassin Found Guilty.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24.—In Wan Chang, a Korean who shot and killed Durham White Stevens, a Japanese diplomatic adviser to the Korean emperor last March, in San Francisco, was found guilty of murder in the second degree by a jury last night in Judge Cook's department of the superior court. Sentence will be passed December 26. The minimum penalty is ten years, and the maximum life imprisonment.

LARGE COMPENSATION.

H. E. Warner to Receive $60,000 for Services as Receiver.

BOSTON, Dec. 24.—Henry E. Warner will receive $60,000 for his services as receiver of the Arnold Print Works, $10,000 of this amount being a compensation as receiver of the allied concerns of the Williamstown Manufacturing Company and the Gallup & Houghton Company, according to a decree issued by Justice Lowell in the United States circuit court here today. A detailed report of the money spent and received by the receivers was filed with the court today.

NEWSPAPER WRITER DIES.

Mrs. Sutherland Succumbs to Injuries from Burning Accident.

BOSTON, Dec. 24.—Mrs. Evelyn Greenland Sutherland, a well known newspaper and magazine writer, as well as the author of several plays, died at her home in this city today, as the result of a burning accident.

Mrs. Sutherland was born in Cambridge, and married Mr. John Preston Sutherland of this city in 1879. She was a contributor to many magazines, and was on the staff of several Boston papers as dramatic critic for many years.

DEATH OF J. H. JACOBS.

Former Member of Shipbuilding Firm and Later in the Art Business.

THOMASTON, Me., Dec. 24.—News of the death of Joseph H. Jacobs, in Philadelphia last night was received today. He was 78 years old, and a native of this town. Mr. Jacobs was formerly well known to Maine shipping men as a member of the shipbuilding firm of Roland Jacobs & Co. He went to Chicago 20 years ago, and established an art business in partnership with his son, Albert H. Jacobs. A branch was opened in Philadelphia. Besides one son, Mr. Jacobs leaves a widow. The body will be brought here tomorrow night, for interment in the family lot.

PROFIT-SHARING DIVIDEND.

The Thirty-Eighth Annual One Paid to Operatives at Bourne Mills.

FALL RIVER, Dec. 24.—The thirty-eighth semi-annual profit-sharing dividend was paid today to the operatives employed at the Bourne mills. It amounted to 2½ per cent of the wages earned by them during the past six months. Announcement was made that the profit-sharing plan will be continued for another six months.

THINGS WE CAN DO.

Many Chances Every Day In Which We Can Help Our Neighbor on the Way.

Who was that French boy that made his servant wake him every morning with the cry, "Rise, Monsieur le Comte, you have great things to do today?" The world has forgotten his name, and it is probable that he never did any great thing in it, but we may be sure that the call drove him every day to do many little good things for which the world was better and happier then, and which, no doubt, are working in it like leaven for good to this day.

Why should not each one of us taken every morning remembering that though the new day may give us no chance for splendid achievement—no line to carry to a sinking ship—no word to speak which shall uplift a nation—there will be plenty of chances in it before night to give to our neighbors fun, courage, or strength? We cannot, perhaps, write a poem like Keats's "Nightingale"; we cannot discover radium; but we can fill our windows with flowers to bid a cheerful good morning to passersby.

The old Puritan doctrine that piety meant self-torture and gloom is dying out among us. People of all sects are finding out that our Father has given us a beautiful home, and that He wishes us to rejoice in it and in Him, and to help our neighbors to rejoice with us. Even Isaac Watts, far back in his gloomy days, insisted that "religion never was designed to make our pleasures less."

"Isn't," argues some girl who has neither beauty, health, nor social position to give her influence, "what can I do to make the world better and happier?"

A woman living a few years ago in a miserable little village planted in front of her house a flower garden. When her neighbors crowded round to admire it she persuaded them to go and do likewise. She gave them seeds, she helped them to dig and weed, she kept up the work until they achieved success and were able to send flowers to the county fair. The poor-spirited women in other villages became wise in seeds and bulbs instead of scandalous gossip. The men, for shame, cleaned and drained the streets. The little woman is dead and forgotten, but her work will be a help to many generations.

An Elmo boy, Quintin Hogg, appalled by the misery of mighty, dreadful London, got a barrel and a board, a couple of candles and some old books, and started a school at night, under London bridge. He had two wharfrats as his first scholars. When he died, hundreds of thousands of poor men put a black band on their arms. They had been trained in the many polytechnic schools which had grown out of the barrel and boards—not only in Great Britain but in her colonies as well.

In short, we may be sure when we waken each morning that God has filled our hands with good seeds, which if we plant them will go on yielding fruit throughout the ages.

The best word which "St. Nicholas" can speak on New Year's morning to the young folk who read it is, make the best of your selves; yes, and help all you can.

Whoever you are—wise or foolish, rich or poor—God sent you into His world, as He has sent every other human being to help the men and women of it, to make them better and happier. If you don't do that, no matter what your powers may be, you are mere lumber, a worthless bit of the world's furniture. A Stradivarius, if it hangs dusty and dumb upon the wall, is not of as much real value as a kitchen poker which is used. Before you in your journey wait hundreds of human beings with whom you must have relations, whom you must either urge on or hinder on their way. It is your business to use your money, or beauty, or wit, or skill or whatever good thing God has given you, for their help. Why not begin every morning with the French boy's thought—"I have great things to do today?"

PENNED ON ROOF AND UPPER FLOORS.

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Englishman, who lived with a family named Looker on the top floor. The injured are: Mrs. Alice Looker, 50 years, burned about the face and body, condition serious; Charles Looker, her son, 25 years, burned about the head and face; Harrison Looker, another son, 23 years, hands and arms burned; David Mullen, a fireman, burned about the face and hands.

Mullen received his burns in saving the life of Mrs. Looker. He rushed up a ladder to a window from which Mrs. Looker was about to jump to the ground, five stories below. As he ran up the ladder the firemen shouted words of encouragement to the woman, and begged her not to jump. Although the flames with his arms tore off his her, she waited, and was reaching out to meet Mullen's arms when she fainted and fell back into the blazing room. Mullen plunged headlong after her through the window, from which clouds of smoke and tongues of flames were swirling. When he found Mrs. Looker lying unconscious on the floor, her night clothing ablaze, he beat out the flames with his arms, tore off his coat and wrapped it around her to protect her from the flying embers and the fierce heat, and started for the return. By this time the room was almost like a furnace, but Mullen succeeded in getting the unconscious woman to the window and then half way down the ladder, where his companions were waiting. Mrs. Looker was rushed to a hospital, but she had been terribly burned, and it was thought possible she might not recover.

In the meantime other firemen and some of the men tenants had been carrying women and children from other apartments, and it was believed, until after the flames were extinguished, that all had gotten out in safety. It was while the firemen were going through the ruins of the Looker apartment that Frizzell's blackened body was found. He had been overcome by smoke, and burned to death before he could reach an exit.

The fire damage was about $15,000. Twenty families in all were made homeless, and many persons suffered from exposure. Police reserves and ambulances from several hospitals were on hand, and the injured were cared for.

RAISED TO RANK OF EMBASSY.

Washington Accedes to Proposal Regarding Chinese Legation.

PEKIN, Dec. 24.—The foreign board has received a cablegram from Tang Shao Yi, at Washington, saying that the Washington government has responded favorably to the proposal made by China to raise the Chinese legation at Washington to the rank of an embassy.

It is believed here that the reform of the foreign board of the empire and the existing court practices, together with the adoption of a reformed code, the inauguration of courts of law, the establishment of an improved financial system and the abolition of the existing system of ex-territoriality will tend to influence the powers toward accepting proposals to raise the rank of China's diplomatic representatives.

DRIVEN FROM HOME BY FIRE.

Forced to Walk Barefooted and in Scant Clothing Through Snow.

FRANKLIN, N. H., Dec. 4.—Driven from their home early today by a fire, Hugh Frazier and his wife, carrying their infant child, were forced to walk barefooted and in their night clothing a mile and a half to the nearest neighbors, through snow and with the thermometer at 6 below zero. Both Frazier and his wife suffered greatly from the intense cold, both of the woman's feet being badly frozen. The child, however, suffered no ill effects from its experience.

The fire started in a shed at one end of the Frazier farmhouse, and is believed to have been set by tramps, inasmuch as there has been no fire in that part of the building. The house was burned to the ground with all its contents, causing an estimated loss of about $2,000, on which there was no insurance.

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FINANCIAL.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24, Wall Street—The stock market opened irregular, with Amalgamated Copper 51¼, American Smelting 83, ex. div., American Locomotive 76⅝, Anaconda 45¾, Atchison 97¼, Baltimore & Ohio 104½, Brooklyn Transit 68 to 65¾, Canadian Pacific 176, Chesapeake & Ohio 57⅝, Erie 34, Great Northern preferred 115⅝, Missouri, Kansas & Texas 42¾, Consolidated Gas 162¾, New York Central 121¾, Northern Pacific 140¾, Reading 160¼, Rock Island 24¾, St. Paul 118⅝, Southern Pacific 112¼, Southern Railway 25¾, Union Pacific 151⅜, United States Steel 51¼, United States Steel preferred 112, Wabash 19½.

10—Stocks started the day at prices but little changed from last night, although the dealings were active and widely distributed. Small gains and losses were quite equally divided; New York Central rose 1 and Third avenue ¾.

11—Weakness in the local traction stocks and an advance in railway equipment stocks were the distinguishing features of the early market. The general market was irregular but grew rather heavy when Union Pacific and American Smelting reacted a point from their best prices. Toward 11 o'clock New York Central rose 2¼, and the Vanderbilt group moved in sympathy.

Noon—Money on call, steady, at 3½ per cent; prime mercantile paper, 4 to 4½ per cent. The advance lifted prices of some of the leading stocks 1½ to 2½ points, selling of American Smelting down a point had a chilling effect and the advance halted. Bonds were firm.

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Am. Cot. & Foundry	49
Am. Locomotive	57⅝
Am. Sm'g & R'f.	83½
Am. Sm'g & R'f. pf.	124½
Anaconda Mng.	45¾
Atch. Top. & Sta. Fe	97½
Baltimore & Ohio	103¾
B'klyn Rap. Trans.	65¾
Canadian Pacific Ry.	176¾
Chesapeake & Ohio	57⅝
Chic. Great Western	17
Chic. Mil. & St. Paul	148⅜
Chic. & Northwestern	179
Col. Fuel & Iron Co.	101
Consolidated Gas	162
Del. & Hudson Co.	179½
Denver & Rio Grande	27½
Distillers Securities	47½
Erie	34
General Electric	156
Great Northern pf.	115⅝
Gt Northern ore	70⅝
Interboro Met.	19⅝
do pref.	48
Louisville & Nash.	122¾
Mexican Central	25⅜
Mo Kan & Texas	41⅝
Missouri Pacific	65¼
National Lead	78⅝
N Y Cent & Hudson	122½
N Y Ontario & West	45¾
Norfolk & Western	85
Northern Pacific Ry	141¾
Pennsylvania R R	130
Pressed Steel Car	43
Reading	159¾
Republic Iron & Stl	25½
Rock Island	23¾
Southern Pacific	112¾
So Ry	25⅝
Texas & Pacific	31⅝
Union Pacific	150⅝
Utah Copper	46½
U S Rubber	35⅛
U S Steel	51
U S Steel pref	112¾
Va-Carolina Chem	43⅝
Wabash	19⅝
Western Union	67⅝

BOSTON MARKET

Atlantic	17
Boston Con	15½
Copper Range	80⅝
Granby	106¾
Greene Copper	11⅝
North Butte	51⅝
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CHURCH SERVICES.

[Matter for this department should be sent in early Saturday morning, and in every case before 12 o'clock, or it cannot be used.]

UNITED CONGREGATIONAL Church, Spring and Pelham Streets, James Austin Richards, Minister. Christmas Day Service in the Parish House, 10:45 a. m.

ST. JOHN'S, Washington Street. Christmas. Holy Communion at midnight, 7:30 and 10:30 a. m. Matins 10, Evensong 4.

TRINITY Church, Services on Christmas Day. 7:30 Holy Communion. 10:45 Morning Prayer, Holy Communion and Singing. The children will sing carols in Trinity Church at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

SWEDISH METHODIST EPISCOPAL Church, Annandale Road. Christmas service at 5:30 a. m. Special Christmas music. The Pastor, Rev. C. J. Nelson will preach. Subject "The First Christmas Carol."

EMMANUEL CHURCH Christmas Day. 7:45 Holy Communion 10:45 Morning prayer, sermon and Holy Communion.

A TOSS-UP AS TO THE WINNER.

Naval Reserves in Good Condition to Meet Lauters; Two Games at Rogers High School.

The Naval Reserve basket ball team had a long practice at the armory Wednesday evening, and all the men appeared in good condition after the rough game with Twenty-third street. The men practiced chiefly at shooting baskets, not caring to use up too much energy, as they realize that in meeting the Lauter team in a double-header they will want every ounce of strength in their bodies. The Lauter team, from their fine record, should give the Reserves two splendid contests, and any one who knows the teams will acknowledge that it is a toss-up as to who will be the winner.

The line-up of the teams will be: Reserves—Roach and Harvey, forwards; McMahon, centre, and Dunn and Shea backs. Lauter—Martin and Petrick, forwards; Biggame, centre, and Callahan and Wright, backs.

Next Saturday evening there will be two games of basket ball in the Rogers High School gymnasium. One will be between the first team and the alumni, and the other between the post graduates and the Civic League team. On New Year's eve the classes of 1910 and 1909 will hold a joint dance in the gymnasium.

TAKE CHRISTMAS LIBERTY FROM NEWPORT.

The members of the crew of scout cruiser Salem are taking their Christmas liberty from Newport, instead of New York, and many of the men who had applied for several days' leave to visit their homes, left Wednesday, while the short liberty men will take their outing in Newport. It is usually endeavored on these special liberty occasions to have the ships in larger cities, where those who can make extended trips can find a greater variety of entertainment. New York is a specially favored place in which to give general liberty, but Wednesday the Salem's orders were changed, and she was held here.

The twenty-fifth of the month is the usual pay day for the men in the navy, but about this station the money was served out yesterday, that the men might have a chance to make merry, and last night men in uniform were extensive purchasers in the stores.

HOLIDAY ATTRACTION AT OPERA HOUSE.

As a holiday attraction, the Opera House offers to its patrons Willis Maxwell Goodhue's comedy, "Hello Bill," with Charles Kellnar playing the role of the testy general. The others in the company are Ferdinand B. Ashley, Charles H. Douglas, James S. Murray, Bert Whitehead, Robert Watt, Carolyne McLean, Fannie Ferris, Eleanor Pierce, Elizabeth Jamieson and Marion Kirby. "Hello Bill has furnished amusement for many audiences, and is as popular as ever.

A CHRISTMAS LOSS.

Apprentice John McFarland, 19 year of age, in anticipation of a merry Christmas with his mother, who came here from Indianapolis to be with him, had a decided setback yesterday, when he lost his pocketbook and contents, $20 or over. He discovered his loss while in a restaurant. The pocketbook was new, and had on it his name in gilt letters, a Christmas present from his mother.

MIDDLETOWN.

Christmas Exercises in the Schools and in Berkeley Memorial's New Parish House.

(Regular correspondence of the News.)

Christmas exercises were observed Wednesday at the Peabody, the Paradise and the Witherbee schools, and today, closing day, at the Wyatt and the Oliphant schools. The program at the Peabody, which was conducted by the teacher, Miss Bertha Morrison, was given before a large number of visitors, and in a most creditable manner. The numbers, which had been previously typewritten for the children, and which showed much care and thought, were as follows:

Opening song by the school, "Christmas at the Door;" recitation, "Christmas Time," Milton Van Alstyne; "Christmas Greeting," Silas Washington; "Good News," Dorothy A. Peckham; "Christmas Bells," Lottie Taber; "A Happy Christmas," Frank Souza; "Christmas Morn," Gertrude Souza; "Christmas Bells," John Medarios, song, "Santa Claus," Ivah Peckham, Willie Taber, Russell Morgan Peckham; "Can You Tell?" little Evelyn Taber; "His First Speech," Robert Peckham; "Santa's Message," Katherine Smith; song, "Merry Christmas to All," by school; "The Christmas Jumping Jack,"5 George Smith; "The Queen of the Year," Theresa Rezendez;" "Christmas Day," George Souza; "The Christ Child," Joseph and John Silvia; "A Christmas Jingle," Martha Smith; "There Was Once a Naughty Small Boy," Willie Taber; "Santa's Coming," Orrel Hazard; song by school, "Christmas;" "Peace on Earth," Mary Medarios; "While Shepherds Watched," Joseph Marks; "A Merry Christmas to Every One," Dorothy A. Peckham; "What Antone Wants," Antone Silvia; Luther's "Cradle Hymn," song by the fourth grade; "The Christmas Song," Annie Silvia; "Old Santa Comes," John Dutra; "The First Christmas," Burnies Anthony; song by the school, "Santa Claus and the Mouse;" "When I Am Big," Charles Smith; "Christmas Spies," Elsie Brown; a reading, "No Santa Claus," Russell Morgan Peckham; "The Child and Her Doll," Amy Demorest; "God Rest Ye, Little Children," Joseph Silvia; "A Christmas Eve," Dorothy Champlin Peckham; quartet, "Beautiful Bells," Lottie Taber, Ivah Peckham, Willie Taber, Russell Morgan Peckham.

Little Alice Brown gave a selection for a very little girl: "On Christmas Day," Samuel Washington: "A Secret," Ivah Peckham: "Just before Christmas," Willie Taber; "What Christmas Brings," Mary Washington; "Christmas," Rosie Souza; Christmas music by the school; distribution of gifts from the tree; song by school, "Merry Christmas Bells."

By a previously arranged plan of the teacher, each child gave a small gift to another child, and there were gifts by the teacher and a distribution of candy. The school room was decorated with branches and sprays of green, and the blackboards bore drawings of Santa Claus and his reindeer, an open fireplace with its stockings, and a holly calendar of the month of December.

The annual parish Christmas festival of the Berkeley Memorial Chapel which has taken place for several years at St. George's School, was held for the first time at the new parish house Wednesday evening. The large assembly hall where the exercises were given was filled to overflowing with people. A varied and interesting program had been prepared, under the direction of Mrs. J. Willis Pekham. The numbers were announced by Rev. Latta Griswold, and were given by the children and young people as follows:

Opening hymn by all, "O come ye to Bethlehem," Mrs. C. Edward Farnum, accompanist; "The Adoration of the Wise Men," Dorothy Stewart; "A Christmas Gift," George Smith; solo, "Glorious Christmas," Russell Morgan Peckham, Miss Sadie E. Peckham accompanist; "Christmas Eve," Dorothy Champlin Peckham; "When I Am Big," Charles Smith; solo, "Christmas at Sea," Gertrude Erhardt, Miss Anna Oderman accompanist; "Santa Claus's Message," Katie Smith; duet, "A cradle hymn of Christ's Birth," Orrel Hazard and Dorothy C. Peckham; "Greedy Jim's Christmas Stocking," Sarah Peckham; "Christmas Bells Janet Peckham; hymn by all, "Calm on the listening ear of night;" "The First Christmas," Burnies Anthony; "A Little Girl's Adveme to Her Doll," Amy Demorest; "The Days After Christmas," Lloyd Peckham; violin solo, "Summer Night," Benjamin Peckham, Jr., Miss Ardella Peckham, accompanist; "Santa's Coming," Orrel Hazard; a pleasing little speech by Master Harris Peckham, aged five; solo, "Hurry, Little Snowflakes," Robert Peckham; a contralto solo, "Jesus, Lover of my Soul," Mrs. C. Edward Farnum, and an address by Rev. John B. Diman.

Many reminiscences were brought to mind of the various places where this festival had been held in past years, before the parish house became a reality, also of the manner of securing the greens and of preparing them for the decorations of the chapel. Mr. Diman spoke, also, of the religious significance of observing Christmas and of trying to do a kindness whenever we can "in Christ's name."

At the conclusion of the final hymn, "O Little town of Bethlehem," the room became suddenly dark, with a handsomely decorated and illuminated tree in evidence on the stage. A loud jingling of bells announced the approach of Santa Claus, who finally entered with a big pack on his back, and who scattered jolly greetings to every one. With much merrymaking, his presents were distributed, and with promises for another visit next year he took his departure.

Candy, ice cream and cake were served, under the direction of Mrs. Robert Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Peckham and Mrs. Harry Sherman. Games were played by the children, and dancing was enjoyed by the young people until a late hour. Mrs. C. Edward Farnum played for several round dances, and Mrs Joseph Albro, accompanied by Mr. Charles Peckham, violin, furnished music for the square dances. The men's reading room, as usual, was comfortably filled by those caring to play cards.

Miss Elizabeth P. Anthony, from Montclair, N. J., and Miss Gladys Brown, from Plainfield, N. J., are home for the holidays.

A box of clothing has been sent this week from St. George's School to New York city, where it will be distributed among the needy poor.

Cottage services are to be held among the members of the Berkeley parish during January, and the Sunday evening services at the parish house will be discontinued for the present.

Mrs. Alfred Hazard, who had sent a box of preserves to St. Mary's Orphanage, Providence, has since received numerous contributions, and so much interest has been manifested that she is planning to send a second box at New Year's.

Mr. Isaac S. Hazard has gone to Hyde Park, Mass., to spend the holidays with his sister, Mrs. Loel T. Dowley.

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THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS.

CHRISTMAS FOR THE POOR.

Elks Distribute Over 1,000 Baskets Full of Good Things.

Two Score and More Wagons Not Sufficient, and Automobiles Pressed into Service.

The Christmas giving to the poor under the management of the Newport Lodge of Elks was carried out according to program today. Promptly at 9 o'clock there was a line of wagons in readiness for the fray, and more were arriving to go into line during the next half hour. A crew of the working staff of the lodge were on hand to take the baskets from the store to the wagons, and the loading went along in the most systematic manner, Chief Kirwin superintending, while Mayor Clarke and F. A. Allen checked out the baskets. As each wagon received its quota, which numbered from half a dozen to a dozen and a half baskets for the larger wagons the distributing detail for that wagon was given a number of cards corresponding to the number of orders in the wagon, and he drove off on his mission of charity. As there were two baskets to an order, and the baskets were heaped up so there could be no stacking many wagons were required for the 502 orders. There were a quarter of a hundred wagons—five double-horse ones from Oakland Farm, one each from Armours and Voigt's, and many one-horse hitches—yet when they were loaded there yet remained on the floor many baskets, and while waiting for some of the wagons to return two or three automobiles were pressed into service. Being the second year, the delivery of the goods went a little more easily than last year, there were more persons remaining at home in expectation of the coming of Santa Claus, and there was less surprise at the coming of heavily-laden messengers in many homes.

All the gifts this year, as last, were of such character that they were available for use at Christmas or any other time. There was no turkey, but there were plenty of eatables, and if one were without turkey he could feel that he was having a Christmas time. There were two baskets for each family, and 502 families were on the list, so that there were twice that number of baskets to be distributed. The contents were as follows: One peck of potatoes, turnips, 12-pound bag of flour, 1 piece of bacon or half a ham, 1 can of tomatoes, 1 package of Quaker Oats, 1 bag of corn meal, 1 bag of beans, 1 package of rice, 1 dozen oranges, 2 quarts of apples, 2 pounds of nuts, 1 package of raisins, 1 pound of figs, 1 pound of coffee, half a pound of tea, 5 pounds of sugar, 1 package of Uneeda biscuits and a package of listerated gum.

There were also distributed, though in separate delivery wagons, and at different times, 73 tons of coal. It will take some time for all this coal to get around, but it will burn just as well when it does get there. Then, too, arrangements were made for supplying toys to families having children under eight years of age. Up to yesterday 70 families had been supplied with toys, and others came in today. This delivery was apart from the general distribution of food stuffs, which began this morning.

It has been a big job looking up families to find out if they were really such as to warrant the receiving of free Christmas greetings; securing the material, putting it up in equal packages, and then distributing it—but it has been done.

Last night the Elks committee took a short vacation in their Christmas work, and adjourned to the United States Hotel, where the workers, about 20 in number, sat down to a roast pig supper, which fitted in just right. Brother T. C. Albro, Jr., furnished the "porker," Mrs. Petersen stuffed it, Brother W. T. Libby roasted it in his oven, and Brother Petersen served it, so that it was not necessary to go outside the order, even to eat it. After the "porker" was consumed, or nearly so, the eaters once more became workers, and finished what was to be done before the wagons arrived this morning.

Four of the Oakland Farm teams loaded with Christmas baskets were photographed on Market square this noon.

The News displayed in its window this afternoon a series of views of Santa Claus Elk in his second distribution of presents to the poor today. The committee in charge announced that a number of late orders were placed this morning, and that it may not be possible to deliver them before Monday, but they believe they will be acceptable, even if a trifle delayed. It has been a big undertaking for Santa to attempt to do so much and accomplish it, but the hard workers feel that they are tired in a good cause, and will enjoy their Christmas with their families tomorrow so much the better.

CENTER HITCHCOCK.

Prominent Club Member and Sportsman in New York and this City Dies of Gastritis.

Center Hitchcock, prominent in society and in the club life of New York and Newport, died of gastritis Wednesday at his home in New York. He was 53 years of age.

Mr. Hitchcock had been in failing health for a year, and during the past summer, of which he spent the larger part here with his mother, he was confined to the house, going out but little. For the last six months he had been obliged to remain in his room. He had recently shown signs of improvement, but Wednesday there was a relapse in his condition. Dr. Kinnicut and Dr. Draper were summoned to his bedside in the afternoon, and found that he was rapidly sinking. He died at 5 o'clock.

Mr. Hitchcock was the son of Thomas Hitchcock, a financier and writer of New York. He was educated in the University of Oxford, where he acquired that devotion to outdoor sports which always characterized him. On his return to his native New York Mr. Hitchcock was soon identified with its social side, and became a member of ten clubs.

His activities did much to foster the participation of society in open air sports, and he was a factor in the development of the Long Island colonies. He was himself an amateur turfman, a follower of the hounds and a polo player. His private fortune enabled him to travel extensively, and whenever the time was favorable he would go on shooting and fishing trips to remote places in this country or foreign lands.

Mr. Hitchcock as a many-sided man. The opera, the theatre and art appealed strongly to him, and he was a connoisseur in all which made for the refinements of living. His charm of manner and his genial ways caused him to be beloved by all who knew him. One of his achievements was a bachelors' ball at the Waldorf, in which he and a friend provided one of the most brilliant and enjoyable entertainments that has ever taken place in New York.

At the time of his death Mr. Hitchcock was the president of the Brook Club, of which he was one of the founders. His membership was for life in the Union and the Knickerbocker clubs. The other organizations in New York to which he belonged are the Metropolitan, the Racquet and Tennis, St. Anthony, Country, Meadowbrook, Westminster Kennel and Turf and Field clubs.

Mr. Hitchcock was one of the founders of, and the only president during its existence of the Newport Clam Bake Club, a member of the Newport Reading Room, the Casino Club and the Westchester Polo Club. He was also one of the promoters of the Newport Horse Show and since the beginning, a member of the executive committee, with the late Oliver H. P. Belmont and Messrs. Henry F. Eldridge and Prescott Lawrence. He was very popular in social and sporting circles in Newport and was active in the promotion of all athletic sports here.

SCHOONER'S ANCHOR REFUSED TO MOVE.

During the night a schooner came into the West bay and anchored. This morning, when she attempted to pick up her anchor it refused to move. The commandant at Fort Greble took ranges and feared that she had hooked into the submarine water main, and promptly sent word to the captain of the vessel that if, in clearing the anchor, damage was done to the main the schooner would be liable for the damage. The captain at once decided to forego any attempt to clear his anchor at the expense of everything else, and efforts were made to secure divers. The government has given notice to shipping of the location of the pipe, and he has marked the crossing by huge signs, so that it is not expected to foot bills for damage done by "don't-caring" captains.

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ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Weenat Shassitt Tribe Holds Whist and Smoker After Business Session.

Weenat Shassitt Tribe of Red Men had a full evening Wednesday, when there was an unusually large attendance of members because of the election of officers, in which there was to be an interesting contest, and, too, there was important tribal business to be attended to. After the business session a smoker and progressive whist were held, while a musical program had been arranged, but the business meeting lasted rather longer than the committee had expected. The latter part of the evening was an open session, and a number of pale faces were invited to participate. The tribe voted to charter a special train to attend the state pow-wow at Pawtucket next month, and voted to postpone their own pow-wow two months. The prizes for the whist were a large turkey and a briar-wood pipe, won, respectively, by Walter Nordling and by William Reevie of Pawtucket.

The election of officers resulted as follows:

Sachem—Charles F. Child.

Senior Sagamore—Herbert H. Barker.

Junior Sagamore—James M. Millington.

Prophet—Louis H. Scott.

Collector of Wampum—Benjamin Lawton.

Keeper of Records—Frank O. Scott.

Keeper of Wampum—Robert H. McIntosh.

Keeper of Paraphernalia—Herbert H. Barlow.

Trustee for Three Years—Frank S. Hale.

NEW PICTURE MACHINE FOR TRAINING STATION.

Some years ago the Training Station had a moving picture machine and a number of films for the entertainment of the boys, but after a little while the machine fell into disuse and became valueless through neglect. Early in the week the moving picture people appeared at the Station and took a series of views for the picture house world, and yesterday a modern picture machine and a number of films arrived at the Station for use in entertaining the boys. Tomorrow night, in the Christmas entertainment, moving pictures will be a feature.

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Mortgagee's Sale.

BY VIRTUE of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by William H. Hillard of the town of Portsmouth, in the county of Newport and state of Rhode Island (with Marian C. Hillard, wife of said William H. Hillard, in release of dower), to Herbert E. Chase of said Portsmouth, dated June 28, 1902 and recorded in volume 22 of the land evidence of said town of Portsmouth, in the state of Rhode Island at pages 130 and 131 (breach in the condition of said mortgage having been made and still existing) there will be sold at public auction in said town of Portsmouth and state of Rhode Island on the premises hereinafter described on the second day of January, 1909, at 12 o'clock noon all the right, title and interest which the said William H. Hillard and Marian C. Hillard had at the time of the execution of said mortgage and did by said mortgage convey in or to a certain tract or parcel of land lying and situated in the said town of Portsmouth, containing six thousand nine hundred and fifty-five square feet be the same more or less, with all the buildings and improvements thereon, bounded and described as follows, to wit: Beginning at the northwest corner thereof, adjoining land of Daniel C. Sullivan and the east line of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company, thence running easterly bounding northerly on land of Daniel C. Sullivan one hundred and seven and one half feet to a corner; thence running southerly bounding easterly on land of Annie D. H. Sullivan sixty-five feet for a corner; thence running westerly bounding southerly on land of Ellen L. Hillard one hundred and six and one half feet to a corner; thence running northerly bounding westerly on land of said Railroad Company sixty-five feet to the point of beginning or however otherwise bounded or described and being the same premises conveyed to William H. Hillard by deed by Ellen L. Hillard dated March 13, 1890 and recorded in Portsmouth land evidence volume 20, page 378 and 379; the said property being all that was granted by said mortgage deed.

By order of the undersigned who hereby gives notice of his intention to bid on said property at said sale, and at any continuance or postponement thereof.

HERBERT E. CHASE,
Mortgagee.

JOHN C. BURKE, Attorney,
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